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#### An Act for the Organization of Corporate Congregational Churches

Act 53, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901, as amended by Act 84, Public Acts, 1905, and Act 298 of Public Acts of 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the organization of corporate Congregational churches," as amended by act number eighty-four of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred five, are hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons of full age, not less than five, who may desire to form themselves into a Congregational church, to adopt, execute and acknowledge before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of association, n writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church, according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational, under the name and style set forth in said articles, which shall contain the following items:

First. The name of said church;

Second. The township, village or city, and the county in which said church shall be located;

Third. An agreement to worship and labor together as a church according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational.

SEC. 2. The persons signing said articles may, at the same time, elect by ballot, or may designate some other time and place for so electing, not less than three nor more than twelve trustees, a majority of whom shall be members of said church, to serve until their successors shall be elected. One-third of said trustees as near as may be shall, at the first election, be chosen for three years, one-third for two years, and one-third for one year, but thereafter, except to fill vacancies, they shall be chosen for three years, of which election a full record shall be made, and a certified copy of such record, signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the meeting at which said election is held, together with said articles of association, shall be recorded by the clerk of the county in which such church or place of worship is or shall be located, in a book by him provided for that purpose, and such clerk shall be entitled to a fee of ten cents per folio for recording the same. When said articles of association and the certificate of election of said trustees shall have been so filed for record, the persons who shall have signed said articles, together with those who shall thereafter become members of said church, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are, and those who shall become regular contributors to the support of said church, shall become and be a body corporate under the name and style adopted in said articles, which name shall conform to the following form, namely: The (insert name or number) Congregaional church of (insert name of place of location).

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for said corporation at any regular or called meeting of its members, due notice having been given as hereinafter provided, by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast at such meeting, to amend its articles of association in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and such amendment shall become operative when a copy of the same, duly certified by the presiding officer and clerk of such meeting, and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, shall be filed with the clerk of the county for record.

SEC. 4. At all meetings of said corporations, subsequent to the first, right to vote upon questions involving the acquirement and disposition of property and the expenditure of money shall be confined to adult members of the church so incorporated, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are regular contributors to its support: Provided, That if said church shall have suspended worship, the right to vote shall be determined as of the

date of such suspension.

SEC. 5. Notice of meetings of said corporation, specifying the time, place, and object thereof, shall be read from the pulpit on the two successive Sundays preceding such meeting on which services shall be held: Provided, however, That in case it is proposed to amend the articles of association, the proposed amendment, together with a notice of the meeting called for its consideration, shall be read from the pulpit on the three successive Sundays, immediately preceding such meeting on which services shall be held; and the proposed amendment shall not itself be amended, in any material point, in the meeting so called for its consideration: And provided further, That if there should be no public services at which the notice herein required may be given, said notice may be posted on the church door or published in the town, city or county newspaper whose circulation among the members is greatest, for three weeks preceding such meeting, specifying the time and place and object thereof.

SEC. 6. In the management of the secular affairs of the church so incorporated and of the business of said corporation, but subject always to its direction and control, the board of trustees thereof shall have and exercise all such powers of the board of directors of a business corporation as are appropriate to the purposes and business of a religious corporation: Provided, however, That said board of trustees shall not choose, call, settle or dismiss a pastor or fix his salary, or buy, sell, convey or incumber real estate or any right thereto or interest therein, unless instructed so to do by said corporation at a regularly called meeting: And provided further, That members of the board of trustees and such other officers as may be provided for in the articles of association shall be elected by ballot at a regularly called meeting of those entitled to vote under the articles of association.

SEC. 7. Such corporation may have a seal and alter the same at will. It may, in its corporate name, sue and be sued in all courts of competent jurisdiction. Subject to the provisions of this act it shall have power to choose, call and settle a pastor and fix his salary; to elect trustees, treasurer and clerk and such other officers as may be provided for in its articles of association; to direct and control their actions; to acquire, hold, manage, control, sell and convey property-both real and personal; to hold and recover all debts, damages rights, privileges and all property, real, personal or mixed of what-

soever nature they or it may be and in whosoever hands held, belonging or appertaining to said church or to the religious organization out of which it is incorporated or reincorporated the same as if the right and title to said property had originally been vested in said corporation. It may hold so much real estate as may be needed for the purpose of church building, parsonage and cemetery purposes and of any so-called institutional activities; it may also hold for a period not exceeding ten years, such real estate as may be conveyed or devised to it even though the same be not needed for the purposes above mentioned or be actually occupied by it in the exercise of its franchises: Provided, however, That all property of said corporation whether real, personal or mixed or whether held in fee or in trust and the income therefrom and the proceeds thereof when sold shall, subject to the terms of any trust or trusts relating thereto or to any part thereof, be held and used by said corporation for the benefit of said church as a Congregational religious organization, and for no other purpose whatsoever, except as provided in section eight of this act. Said corporation may and shall hold in perpetuity as a permanent fund all property given, bequeathed or devised to it or acquired by it for the purpose of an endowment, the income from which fund, subject to the terms of any specific trust or trusts relating thereto, or to any particular part thereof, may be used for any lawful purposes of said church or corporation: Provided, That as to real estate, said property, when so required by law, may be sold and the proceeds from such sale covered into said fund: And provided further, That said corporation, in the lawful administration of said fund, may sell any property therein and re-invest the proceeds of such sale in such securities and other property as shall be lawful investments for saving banks and trustees in this state, said property and securities when acquired, to become a part of the principal of said fund: And provided further, That none of the offerings of said church received or collected for missionary or benevolent purposes shall be used for the current running expenses of said church or corporation; nor shall any fund or funds, money or other property received, set aside, accumulated or acquired for a specific purpose be diverted to any other use without the consent of the donor or his duly authorized representative.

SEC. 8. In all cases where the property of any corporation subject to the provisions of this act has been abandoned, or is no longer used for the benefit of said corporation as a Congregational religious organization, or if said corporation has for a period of two years ceased to exercise its corporate functions, or to hold regular religious services, then, in any or all of such cases, the local association of churches with which it is, or has last been connected may, by resolution declare the said corporation extinct and may notify the Michigan Congregational Conference, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this state, of such resolution. Upon receiving such notice the said conference by its executive committee or such officer as said committee may designate, may apply to any court of equity jurisdiction in the county in which said property may be, for a decree, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Con-The application for such decree shall contain a statement of the reasons for said action and there shall be annexed thereto a duly certified copy of the resolution of the local association of churches

to which said corporation belonged, declaring said church extinct as above provided. Upon the filing of said application an order shall be entered, requiring all persons interested in said corporation, to show cause if any they have why such corporation should not be dissolved, at some time and place to be therein specified, not less than four weeks from the date thereof. Notice of the contents of such order shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in said county, if any such there be, and if not, in such newspaper of general circulation in said county as the court may direct. On the day appointed in such order, or on any day to which the court may adjourn the proceedings, if it shall appear to the court that the facts set forth in said application are true, a decree shall be entered, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, and such corporation shall thereupon be dissolved and the title to its property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, which shall hold the said property, or the proceeds thereof if, in its judgment, it shall be deemed wise to sell it, in trust for two years and if, within said time, a Congregational church shall be incorporated under this act as the successor of the church so dissolved and shall be received in due form as a member of the local association to which the said church belonged at the time of its dissolution, it shall be the duty of the said Michigan Congregational Conference, on receiving satisfactory proof of said facts, to convey the said property or the proceeds thereof to the said church so incorporated which shall then be deemed to be in all respects the successor of the said church so dissolved, and shall succeed to all of its rights, privileges, property and obligations, except as above provided, as if said corporation had not been dissolved. But if no such church is so organized and incorporated, the absolute title to said property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, subject to all trusts affecting the same in the hands of the dissolved corpora-

SEC. 9. Any church or religious organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, may, at a meeting duly called for the purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those persons present and voting, place itself under the provisions of this act, the same as if incorporated under the by adopting and filing articles of association as provided in section two hereof.

SEC. 10. In all cases, whether in law or in equity, that may arise in any of the courts of the state, regarding churches incorporated under this act, or those which by vote shall have put themselves under its provisions, all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be interpreted and construed in such manner as to give full force and effect to the provisions of this act.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

AN ACT to Provide for the Voluntary Dissolution of Ecclesiastical Societies Auxiliary to Congregational Churches, and for the Disposition of their Property, and to Repeal Act Number Forty-seven of the Public Acts of Nineteen Hundred One, Entitled, "An Act for the Consolidation in Congregational Churches of an Ecclesiastical Society with its Church."

Act 303, Public Acts of Michigan, 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Whenever any Congregational church, in connection with which is an already incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society, at any regular or called meeting, shall express by ballot and by a twothirds vote of its qualified members present and voting a desire to assume said corporate powers and the direction and control of its property and secular affairs, the trustees of said society, upon receiving official potification of the vote of said church, shall forthwith call a meeting of said society, of which meeting notice shall be given on three successive Sundays next preceding the date of said meeting, specifying the time, place and object thereof, to consider and vote upon the questions stated in section two hereof.

SEC. 2. At the meeting so called, the following question shall be

put to vote:

Shall the title to all the property of the (name of society) be vested

shall be in the affirmative, a duly certified copy of such resolution shall be transmitted to the clerk of the said church who shall call a meeting of the said church, which shall then prepare, execute and place on record, articles of association under and in accordance with the provisions of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, and the amendments thereto, or such other act as may hereafter supersede said act and upon recording said articles of association as provided in said act the said society shall be dissolved and all property owned by it shall pass to and be held by the said church so incorporated under the name and style adopted by it in the said articles of association, and all liabilities of said society shall be assumed and paid by said church.

SEC. 3. Act number forty-seven of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the consolidation in Congregational churches of an ecclesiastical society with its church," is hereby repealed: Provided, however, That notwithstanding the repeal thereof, all rights of every kind and nature now held or enjoyed under and by virtue thereof, are expressly preserved and shall continue unimpaired; and said act shall be deemed to be still in force for the enjoyment and protection of said rights but for no other purpose what-

In effect after August 15, 1913.

#### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

(As amended May 23, 1934.)

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

#### ARTICLE II

The object of this Conference is and shall be, in general, the propagation of the religious faith and ecclesiastical polity of the Congregational and Christian Churches in connection with the said Conference, and with "The General Council of the Congregational and Christian Churches of the United States," and for the carrying out of this object, the reception, holding, investing, reinvesting and disbursement of such moneys and properties as may be given or bequeathed to it for any purposes within the scope of the Conference and more particularly the following:—

of the Conference and more particularly the following:—
(1) The planting and nurturing of Sunday Schools of said faith and

order.

(2) The planting and aiding of churches of said faith and order.
 (3) The helping of churches of said faith and order in erecting houses

of worship and parsonages.

(4) The careful oversight of the churches of said faith and order in conjunction with advisory committees chosen by the local associations of churches

churches.
(5) The relief of disabled ministers of said faith and order and of

their families.

(6) The extension of Christianity in foreign lands; the furtherance of Christian education; and co-operation with all the benevolent interests of said faith and order.

(7) The providing for the training and examination of such applicants for licensure and ordination, within said faith and order as have not re-

ceived the collegiate and seminary education.
(8) The providing a bureau of ministerial supply.

(9) The collection and preservation of results of councils, and of records, minutes, books, etc., pertaining to churches and ministers of said faith and order.

(10) The doing of whatever else may foster the growth, or promote the welfare or the interests of said faith and order, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States.

#### ARTICLE III

Members.—Section 1. Every Congregational or Christian church connected with a local Association in this State is entitled to representation in this Conference by its pastor, if a member in regular standing in some local association in this State, and by one delegate to be chosen by such church annually.

SEC. 2. All officers of the Conference, all ministers in regular standing in any local Association in the State, and all who may be members of the Board of Trustees in regular standing during any part of the annual State

meeting are entitled to membership in the Conference.

#### ARTICLE IV

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p. m.; if any exigency arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of the Conference, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change of time or place of holding the annual meeting, by giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purposes.

#### ARTICLE V

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE VI

Trustees.—The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of the Moderator and of one representative from each local association of Congregational and Christian churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and twelve to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be women. They shall be elected by ballot on Wednesday, the second day of the meeting of the Conference. At the first election one-third shall be elected for a term of three years, one-third for two years and one-third for one year, and thereafter one-third for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No trustee shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until he shall have been out of office at least one year, it being construed that election for a portion of a term is equivalent to the full term. Said trustees shall annually elect seven members of their number, of whom at least one-third shall be women, as an Executive Committee, who shall have such power as may be vested in them by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies in their membership until the next meeting of the Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the property of the Conference, and shall transact either directly or through their Executive Committee, all of the affairs thereof, except as otherwise provided. They shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all the moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Conference, or to such branches thereof as may be designated in the will, bequest or trust, in accordance with the laws of the State. The Trustees shall, by every means within their power, promote each and all of the objects of the Conference stated in Article II, and shall make annual report to the Conference of the administration of the funds, the work accomplished and the existing condition in each department of effort, and shall recommend such appropriation of moneys, the creation of such agencies and the initiation of such measures as in their judgment shall be best adapted to promote the interests of the conference upon their recommendations, but the appointment, oversight and control of all such agencies shall be vested in the Trustees and their Executive Committee, provided that any appointment of a superintendent shall be subject to confirmation of the Conference. A majority of the members elect of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

#### ARTICLE VII

Said Conference may hold real and personal property as is permitted by law, to be devoted exclusively to the purposes set forth in Article II. (As amended May 15, 1917.)

#### ARTICLE VIII

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, due notice having been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

#### ARTICLE IX

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed in perpetuity from the twenty-first day of May, 1916.

#### CONSTITUTION

(As amended June 9, 1910, May 14, 1914, and May 23, 1934.)

#### PREAMBLE

The Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference in voluntary fellowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common consecration and co-operation, makes confession of its devout faith in one God, our Father in Heaven, who has manifested Himself to the world in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in living fellowship abides in His children through His Spirit, our guide and comforter; and, believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are best adapted to the promotion of the welfare of the Christian church, and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a general Conference of the Congregational and Christian churches and ministers the following: lowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common con-

#### CONSTITUTION

#### ARTICLE I

Name.—This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called The Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

## ARTICLE II

Object.—The object of this Conference shall be as stated in the Articles of Association. It will aim to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness, but it shall exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the churches and ministers belonging to it.

#### ARTICLE III

Membership.—Section 1. The membership of this Conference shall be set forth in the Articles of Association.

Sec. 2. Any member of full legal age of any Congregational or Christian church connected with a local association in the State shall be eligible to election to any office in the Conference.

#### ARTICLE IV

Officers.—Section 1. The officers of this Conference shall be a moderof the committee on Nominations and elected annually by ballot, and assistant scribe chosen viva voce at each meeting. There shall also, be a registrar and a treasurer. The offices of state superintendent and registrar shall be combined without additional compensation to the superintendent. The treasurer shall be appointed by the trustees at their meeting. intendent. The treasurer shall be appointed by the trustees at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to

confirmation by the conference.

Duties of Officers.—Sec. 2. (1) The duties of moderator, assistant moderator, scribe and auditor shall be such as usually pertain to these

(2) It shall be the duty of the registrar to keep a true :ecord of all meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish churches with schedules for annual reports; to receive and distribute all schedules of statistics, proannual reports; to receive and distribute all sonedules or statistics, programs and year books; to superintend the publishing of the minutes, and such other printing connected with his department as the Conference may order. He shall furnish the Conference, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the local associations any information required by them on all matters relating to his department. For these services he shall receive such compensation as the trustees shall direct.

(3) The registrar of each local association shall be requested by conference with the eduisory committee of that association shall be requested.

ference with the advisory committee of that association, or by correspondence with the churches, to gather and send to the registrar of this Conference, after the meeting of the local association next preceding the meeting of this Conference, such a statement of the facts regarding the progress of the churches and the methods of their life and work as he may be able to gather, and the registrar shall, from these statements and from other available sources, present to the Conference such a general view of methods, of efforts and of progress, or the contrary, as he shall judge best fitted to stimulate the life and work of the churches of the State.

(4) The treasurer shall receive all moneys, shall be the custodian of all funds, and shall disburse the same upon the order of the Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report of his doings to the Conference, accompanied by the auditor's certificate of the correctness of his accounts. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as the Board of Trustees shall require and his commensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees. quire and his compensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees.

#### ARTICLE V

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday of May, at 7 30 p. m., and continue to such hour as the Business Committee may determine. If any exigency shall arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of this body, or change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such above. for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change upon giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purpose.

#### ARTICLE VI

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE VII

Trustees.--The number, method of election, powers and duties of the trustees shall be as prescribed in the articles of association of the Conference. They shall also have power to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Conference, a Superintendent, who shall not be a member of the board, and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board, but not for more tnan one year upon one appointment. The Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee shall also have power to fill any vacancy in

any of the offices or committees of the Conference until the next annual

meeting of the Conference.

It shall also be the function of this board to act as a consulting body and bureau of information in regard to all of the Congregational interests of the State; to co-operate with and supplement the work of the advisory committees in the local associations; to gather and keep on file all available information in regard to churches and ministers; to advise in matters submitted to them by the local associations their advisory or other committees, or by the churches and ministers; and in general, to unify and strengthen the churches, to elevate the standard of the ministry, and to promote the spirit of Christian fellowship. *Provided*, that in no way shall their action limit or interfere with the rights and liberties of the local churches.

It shall also be the duty of this board to keep in close touch with Christian institutions of learning, and to seek, by active measures, to inspire and promote to our churches, schools and homes, the gathering of

worthy and competent recruits for the ministry.

#### ARTICLE VIII

Superintendent -A superintendent shall be appointed by the Trus tees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the Conference, who shall have general oversight and direction of the work in the State, modified and restricted only by the powers given to the Trustees or their Executive Committee and such rules as they may adopt. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Trustees, subject to the approval of the Conference.

#### ARTICLE IX

Committees.—Section 1. There shall be elected a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall serve for two years, three for one year, and thereafter three shall be chosen annually for a term of two years. One of the committee shall be the minister of the church with which the Conference votes next to meet. It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange for and prepare a program and order of business for all meetings to be held by the Conference, and place a docket of the same in the hands of the moderator. Any member may introduce items of business but all business not previously submitted to the Business Committee shall be referred to this committee to be reported on before final adjourn-

SEC. 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of four, to be elected by ballot, two to serve two years, two to serve one year, and thereafter two to be chosen annually for a term of two years, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for, and to keep a record of all the nominations confirmed by the Conference in a book to

be provided by the registrar.

SEC 3. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make a fit report to this Conference of the service of those ministers who at their death were, or long had been, members of the body, and such lay members who had rendered conspicuous service to our churches

SEC. 4. Such other committees as may be needed shall be appointed by the Conference or by the Board of Trustees, and any member of full legal age of any Congregational or Christian church within the State shall

be eligible for such service.

### ARTICLE X

General Council.—This Conference appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches.

#### ARTICLE XI

Amendments.—This constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice shall have been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and articles to be affected.

#### **BY-LAWS**

1. Organization.—The annual meeting shall be opened by the moderator or assistant, or, in their absence, the registrar or the minister of the church with which the Conference meets shall call the members to order, and shall preside until a moderator pro tem is chosen. Wednesday morning the Conference shall be organized by making a roll of members and electing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and electing scribes for the meeting. ing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and assistant moderator shall be elected at this session and shall serve through the year and until their successors are elected.

2. Roll.—On the first evening of the meeting the registrar shall circulate and collect cards on which the ministers and delegates entitled to membership shall write their names, together with the names, respectively of their church and local associations. The registrar shall, from these cards, complete the roll and report such early the next day.

3. Advisory Members.—Only the business committee shall propose the

names of advisory members.

4. Conduct of Business.—(1) Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The minutes shall be read for approval on the morning of each day and at the close of the meeting.

The usage of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in the con-

duct of business, except as otherwise provided.

(3) When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz.: SHALL THE MAIN QUESTION NOW BE PUT? and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

(4) In debate, no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy the floor.

5. Apportionment.-It is recommended that each local association pay, through its registrar to the treasurer of this Conference, at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain unpaid, of the amount apportioned to the churches of such association.

6. Committees.—Members of committees holding over from year to year shall be ex-officio members of the Conference during their term of

-office.

7. Delegates to the General Council—In accord with the rules of the General Council and by Resolution adopted at the 100th Annual Meeting of the Conference, Michigan delegates to General Council shall be chosen

(a) Delegates-at-Large—Each State or District Conference or Convention shall be entitled to one delegate-at-large for the first full 5,000 members, and also one additional at large for each successive 5,000 members or

major fraction thereof.

The superintendent, minister, or chief executive officer of each Conference or Convention shall be ex officio a delegate to the General Council meetings

(b) Unit Delegates—The churches within each Association (or corresponding body) in each State or District Conference or Convention shall be grouped by the said Conference or Convention into units of not fewer than 1,000 members each. One delegate shall be nominated by each unit from

among its own members, which nominee shall be elected by the Association. The delegate from each unit shall be expected to report the findings and proceedings of the General Council meetings to the church or churches of his unit. If an Association has fewer than 1,000 members it may be joined ms unit. It an Association has rewer than 1,000 members it may be joined with an adjacent Association in forming units, provided however, that if a Conference or Convention finds it impracticable to join an Association having a membership of more than 500 but fewer than 1,000 to another Association, it may provide that such Association may elect one delegate. No delegate shall be seated as a unit delegate unless such delegate is a member of a church within that particular unit. Each unit may nominate

as many alternates from the same classification as it may desire, but no alternate shall have any official standing unless the regularly elected delegate fails to register at the General Council meeting within 24 hours after the Council convenes and such alternate is elected by the Conference delegation to replace said delegate.

Not more than one member from any one church shall be seated as a unit delegate at any one Council meeting. Delegates-at-large, State Superintendents, Secretaries of the Council, representatives of colleges and seminaries, and others having standing ex officio in the Council are not regarded

as unit delegates.
(c) Each State or District Conference or Convention shall determine by vote at its annual meeting the method of nomination and election of its own delegates-at-large. Each unit shall nominate alternately a lay person

own delegates-at-large. Each unit shall nominate alternately a lay person and a minister as a delegate to each General Council meeting.

(d) Any delegate who shall remove his residence from the geographical bounds of the conference, association or unit, by which he has been elected to the Council shall be deemed by the fact of that removal to have resigned his membership in the Council, and the conference, association or unit, as the case may be, may proceed to fill the unexpired term by election.

8. Roll to Be Furnished Nominating Committee.—It shall be the duty

of the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominating

or the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominating committee a copy of the roll of members.

9. The fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall begin on the first day of January and shall coincide with the calendar year. Provided, however, that this by-law shall not be understood to affect in any manner the time of holding the annual meeting, or of the election of officers, or of the beginning or ending of the term for which officers are elected.

10. Suspension of Rules.—Any of these rules, except the eleventh, may

be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

11. Amendment of Rules.—Any motion to amend or repeal any rule of this body may be read on two different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: SHALL IT BE READ A SECOND TIME?

#### RESOLUTION

Resolution adopted at the annual meeting May 19-20, 1909: That the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees be held as a stated policy on the opening day of the meeting of the state conference for consideration and for action upon such matters as shall require attention.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association and the Constitution of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference it is recommended to the churches and local associations that provision be made for the appointment of local advisory committees in the associations to act in conjunction with the trustees of the state body; it is also recommended that provisions be made according to specifications given herewith for the examination, licensure and ordination of candidates for the ministry.

These recommendations pertain first to the appointment of local

association advisory committees. It is recommended:

That each local association appoint a committee to be called the Advisory Committee, consisting of five members, of which the moderator and registrar of the association shall be members ex officus, and three other members, to be elected at the annual meeting, as follows: At the first election one member to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and thereafter one to be elected each year to serve three years. It is urged that special care be taken to secure the most competent membership for the committee.

The functions of this committee to be-To know the churches and ministers within the bounds of the association, their character, needs, and conditions, and to keep a record of the same corrected to date and filed with the registrar.

To hold itself in readiness at all times to assist, inform, advise, and suggest, upon request, in cases where a change of pastorate, the organization of a church, the consolidation of fields or other exigencies affecting the common welfare of our churches, may call for such action. 3. To be in active and constant communication with the Board of

Trustees of the state conference; filing with it its local information; gathering from its larger files wider information; reporting to it at once any changes in fields or men; making investigation at its request, and aiding in all possible ways its effort to know Congregational life.

4. To act in conjunction with the pastor of the church where a meeting of the association is to be held, as the program committee; with a view to suggesting, from its knowledge of the field, vital and practical topics, presenting plans of progress or extension, and increasing the interest among both clerical and lay members of our churches, in the meetings and work of the association.

To be the Missionary Committee of the association.

These recommendations pertain second, to ordination and examina-

tion on the course of study.

I. Inasmuch as under our present system ministerial standing vests in the local association, it is recommended that to the same body be accorded the function of passing, after due examination, upon the credentials and fitness of candidates for ordination. It is suggested that the procedure be as follows:

1. A church seeking to induct into its pastorate a man who has not been ordained, may present the candidate for examination at a meeting of the local association with which the church is connected; notice of such intention having been previously given to the registrar and printed on the program of the association meeting.

2. The said association to examine the candidate thus presented in

regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for the ministry,

and if approved, to present a certificate of such approval to him and

to the church presenting him.

3. Upon the basis of such certificate the church to proceed, either then or thereafter; to the ordination of the candidate through a council of fellowship; the same being either the association or a group of churches elected by the church and the candidate.

II. Inasmuch as this conference has provided a course of study for those applicants for ordination who have not received collegiate and seminary education, it is recommended that, for the sake of uniformity, the examination of candidates on this course of study be conducted by a committee of the state conference; and that the certificate of said committee that he has completed this course satisfactorily shall be required in all such cases by the local associations before it proceeds to this examination for ordination. his examination for ordination.

#### Resolution Adopted at the Annual Meeting May 16, 18, 1911

That the committee on examination and course of study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the conference.

## CONFERENCE COURSE OF STUDY

#### Revised

#### GROUP I

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For Study

"Our Recovery of Jesus"—W. E. Bundy

"The Religion of Jesus"—W. E. Bundy

"Concerning the Ministry"—John Oman

"The Preparation and Delivery of Sermons"—Carl S. Patton

"Beliefs That Matter"—W. A. Brown

"The Story of the Bible"—E. J. Goodspeed
 For Reading
"A Faith for Today"—H. F. Rall
"The Minister's Job"—A. W. Palmer
"Pastoral Psychology"—Karl R. Stolz
"A Guide to Understanding the Bible"—H. E. Fosdick
 For Reference
"The Abingdon Bible Commentary"
                                                                               GROUP II
For Study

"The Life of Paul"—B. W. Robinson

"St. Paul"—A. D. Neck

"How Shall I Learn to Teach Religion"—B. Carrier

"Outlines of Christian Theology"—W. A. Brown

"The World and God"—H. H. Farmer

"Church Work with Young People"—H. T. Stock
 For Reading
"The Mind of Christ in Paul"—F. C. Porter
"Character and Christian Education"—Stewart Cole
         "Pathways to the Reality of God"—R. M. Jones
"Prayer and Worship"—D. V. Steere
"The Use of the Bible in Preaching"—Carl S. Patton
 For Reference
        A one volume Dictionary of the Bible, either the Standard or Hastings
                                                                              GROUP III
"Outlines of Christian Theology"—W. A. Brown
"The Gospel, the Church and Society"—F. L. Fagley
"The Psychology of Religion"—G. A. Coe
"Social Salvation"—John C. Bennett
"Preaching Values in the O. T."—H. E. Luccock
"Preaching Values in the N. T."—H. E. Luccock
For Reading

*"A Working Faith for the World"—H. V. White

*"A History of Christian Thought," 2 Vols.—A. C. McGiffert

*"Makers of Christianity," 3 Vols.—Ease, McNeill, Sweet

"God and the Common Life"—R. L. Calhoun

("Makers of Christianity," and the Common Life"—R. L. Calhoun
                (*I feel there should be a work on church history and history of
                      the doctrine.)
For Reference
"Cruden's Concordance of the Bible"
"Book of Church Services"—The Pilgrim Press
"Social Action" (Magazine)
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# MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

of the

#### MICHIGAN CONFERENCE OF CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

#### Held at Kalamazoo, May 22-23, 1946

The One Hundred Fourth Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational-Christian Conference was opened at the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo with a devotional service led by Chaplain Russell H. McConnell, who spoke on the theme "Stained Glass Is Fragile." The Rev. Gordon Speer, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 10:30 o'clock, Wednesday morning, May 22. Rev. Charles Hastie was elected Scribe and Miss Kathryn Lohr, Assistant Scribe.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the One Hundred Third Annual Meeting be accepted and placed on record as printed.

The Rev. E. E. Hoats moved that the program for the meeting as printed be adopted, such changes as have been made to be announced. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the following be made corresponding members for the session:

Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson Dr. Malcolm B. Dana Rev. Truman B. Douglass Rev. Thomas Keehn

Rev. Henry Smith Leiper Miss Mary Lou Pettit Rev. Paul H. Reynolds and local ministers.

The Conference resolved itself into the 52nd meeting of the Home Missionary Society. (See minutes on page 34.)

On the Conference's again reporting in session the Rev. Howard Towne offered a resolution that the Conference be reincorporated, the present corporation expiring in the current month. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

The Rev. Truman B. Douglass, Executive Vice-President of the Home Boards, made an address on the theme "One People—U.S.A." "We are living between two worlds," he said. "Old things have passed away, the new is not yet discernible. We cannot manufacture the future. It will help us to know why change is hurting us however." Citing the role of the American Missionary Association in the remarkable progress of the Negro through two generations, he further stated that it was possible for us now to set in motion creative forces to assist the divinely moved events in process. Christians must see the victory of faith as more than the victory of our side alone. The age to come will seem good to all whose faith sees good in the increase of justice. The offense of the cross confronts all who have shared as people of privilege in the old order. We must overcome pride as we can through the Christian Gospel to become one fellowship of people in the day that is emerging. In these times the church is worthy of our deepest faith and consecration.

Dr. Skidmore, acting for Dr. Howard A. Blanning, presented ministers entering or re-entering the Michigan Conference during the year. The list is included in the Report of the Superintendent.

The Moderator called upon Dr. Arie Binkhorst to close the morning session with prayer.

#### LUNCHEON MEETING—WEDNESDAY

At the luncheon meeting in the Y.M.C.A., Dr. Paul H. Clark, presiding, presented the Rev. Donald Evans who, assisted by directors of the summer conferences, outlined plans for the junior high, high school and Christian education conferences projected for the coming summer.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator. The Rev. Harold Watson led the Conference in prayer. The Rev. Paul Clark presented the report of the Board of Christian Education. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

The Rev. Donald R. Evans presented the report of the Director of Christian Education. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted. (See Exhibit VII.)

The Rev. Paul Reynolds, Secretary of the Christian Education Division of Home Missions, addressed the Conference on the theme "Homes Are What You Make Them." "Homes are still more important than any other institution," he said. "At the present moment the federal government, colleges and universities and the secular press are swinging into line to strengthen home life. Sociological studies indicate that the church is basic in home building. The Federal Council and our own churches through the Congregational Commission on Family Life are making significant contributions currently in this important work."

The Moderator presented Mr. Fred Gunn, Assistant Moderator, who took charge of the session at this point.

Mr. E. E. Harris, Treasurer of the Conference, presented his report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be adopted and placed on file. (See Exhibit II.)

The Superintendent of the Conference, Dr. Harold N. Skidmore, presented the report of the superintendent. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit I.) The Moderator called upon the Rev. Samuel Oliver for the report of the Nominating Committee. Dr. Oliver introduced the Rev. Norman Woon, who placed the name of the Rev. Ray Caldwell before the Conference for Moderator for the ensuing year. It was moved, supported and carried that the nomination be accepted. The name of Mr. Ray Johnston of Detroit was offered as candidate for Associate Moderator. It was moved, supported and carried that the nomination be accepted.

Dr. Oliver presented the remainder of the Nominating Committee's report. Subject to the amendment that the name of Mrs. Weaver, who declined to serve, be substituted by that of Mrs. E. A. Schaap of the same district, it was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted. The Scribe was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the entire list of candidates and they were declared elected. (See list at end of this report.)

The Rev. Mr. Speer presented Miss Frances Dunnette who introduced Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, President of the National Fellowship of Congregational-Christian Women, who spoke upon the theme "All One Body We." Following announcement of committee meetings pending, the session was adjourned with prayer by the Rev. H. A. Miles.

#### DINNER SESSION

Miss Mary Lou Pettit of Grand Rapids, President of the Michigan Pilgrim Fellowship, presented members of State Fellowship's advisory board and delegated to the projected National Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at Doane College. The Rev. Paul Raynolds spoke on the theme "New World A-comin'." Miss Margaret Kennedy and Mr. Douglas Swift spoke appealingly of Pilgrim Fellowship work.

#### **EVENING SESSION**

At the evening session, a service of worship, the Rev. George W. Shepherd delivered the Conference sermon on the theme "A Chinese Columbus Discovers America." Dr. Skidmore presided over a memorial service for ministerial members of the Conference deceased in the past year, Rev. Chas. Taggart and Rev. Rex Holman. The host pastor, Dr. Keith, administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by Dr. Skidmore.

#### THURSDAY MORNING

The Chaplain, Rev. Russell McConnell, led the morning devotions, speaking out of his experience as a naval chaplain on the theme "Worship on the Gun Deck,"

"Worship on the Gun Deck."

The meeting was called to order and Dr. Douglass presented, who addressed the Conference a second time. His subject was "The Church Goes Forward." He cited the re-emergence of a high view of the Church as the most important movement in Congregationalism. The succession of catastrophic events in our current living have given us a new appreciation for the prophetic message of Christianity and of the unique role of the Church as the divinely chosen instrument for the mediation of God's purpose to our times. Only in the whole Gospel covering us in our sin with the whole mercy of God can we be saved, he said. We see about us a renaissance of preaching recognizing the preached word to be the real offensive weapon of the Church. The Church is not a "fellowship of kindred minds" but a fellowship of dissimilar and often hostile minds in which differences are transcended by the love of God made known in Jesus Christ.

Mr. Gunn presiding, the Rev. Carl Martenson, acting for Dr. Roger Eddy Treat, presented the report of the Board of Trustees. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit IV.)

A resolution that the Conference authorize its delegates as named by units and elected by associations, to the pending General Council at Grinnell, Iowa, was offered. It was seconded and carried.

The Rev. A. A. Nelson presented the report of the Committee on Evangelism. Following discussion of the report from the floor it was

moved and seconded and carried that the report be accepted. (See Exhibit VIII.)

Mr. Speer presiding, the Rev. Mr. Badder presented a report on the Unit Plan. Last year marked the first year in four in which the Conference met its 72 unit, quota and the Conference is now 60 units behind in the ten-year program in the denomination-wide effort to meet its obligations to members of the old annuity plan. A unit consists of a sum of one hundred dollars. Ministers were urged to place this plea before their churches. It was moved, supported and carried that the report be accepted and placed on record.

The Moderator introduced Dr. Malcolm B. Dana, President of Olivet College, who spoke on "Today at Olivet College." "The major problem in making Olivet an accredited college is endowment," he stated. Michigan Congregational churches could solve the endowment problem by underwriting the school in the amount of \$15,000 a year. Total gifts from the churches in the year closing amounted to about \$2,800. In the next year the college could balance its budget with the aid of \$7,500 from the churches. Its immediate financial problem is to meet a deficit of \$20,000 before June 30, 1946.

Following Dr. Dana's report Dr. Skidmore appealed to the Conference in addition to writing the college into their budgets to assist it in meeting its deficit, and announced that the Board of Trustees had authorized the gift of \$1,000 from Conference funds to the college toward the deficit.

Dr. Skidmore introduced Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, Executive Secretary of the American Committee for the World Council of Churches, who made a stimulating address on "Europe's Misery and Hope." Surveying the outlook abroad and asserting that no one can feel unqualifiedly optimistic, he underscored heartening trends in the upsurge of interest in church leadership in England, interest in reconstruction in Holland, the rehabilitation and revitalization of the churches in France, the revival of interest abroad in the racial application of Christianity, and the movement within the German churches to seek reconciliation with churches in the victor nations. Ninety-three denominations are now affiliated with the World Council of Churches. He cited further the great demand for Bibles in Europe now and the emergence throughout Christendom of a new theology rediscovering the Christian faith as victor over death and the grave.

The morning session closed following prayer by the Rev. Victor Brown,

## LUNCHEON SESSION—THURSDAY

At the laymen's and ministers' luncheon in the Methodist Church Dr. Skidmore presented Mr. Ward Wheeler, President of the Michigan Laymen's Fellowship. Present officers of the Fellowship were nominated and re-elected for the ensuing year. The Rev. George Drew presented the Rev. Thomas Keehn, Legislative Secretary for the Council for Social Action, who spoke on "Storm Clouds in Washington." Discussion of his talk followed. Dr. Shepherd made announcement of the opportunity for two ministers to participate in a six-week industrial seminar in Detroit, and invited men interested to get in touch with him. Dr. Charles M. Houser spoke on the present state of the proposed merger with the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The business session of the Conference convened at 3:30 p.m. The Rev. Don DeCoursey presented the report of the Chicago Seminary Visitor. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit X.)

The Rev. Robert Barksdale presented the report of the Resolutions Committee. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted and placed on file. (See Exhibit IX.)

The Rev. Robert M. Bartlett read a letter of the Rev. Leonard Parr expressing the invitation of the church at Ann Arbor to the One Hundred Fifth Annual Meeting of the Conference. It was moved, seconded and carried that the gracious invitation be accepted for the 1947 meeting.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Scribe complete the minutes and the Conference be closed sine die with adjournment of

the evening session.

Dr. Skidmore offered prayer for the nation in the gathering crisis of the coal and railway strikes. The Rev. Mr. Drew introduced the Rev. Thomas Keehn who spoke on "Social Action Where It Works." The session adjourned after prayer by the Moderator.

#### BANQUET SESSION

Dr. Keith presided at the Banquet Session in the Presbyterian Church. Following introductions and two solos by a member of the Kalamazoo Church choir, Dr. Leiper made the closing address of the Conference speaking on the subject "Your Answer to Our Lord's Prayer" stressing the forces creating world community and assisting the realization of Jesus' prayer for the unity of God's people. Dr. Skidmore pronounced the benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES B. HASTIE, Scribe.

## REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### **Board of Trustees**

Cheboygan Association—Dr. L. M. Isaacs, for three years. Grand Traverse Association—Rev. Philip Dutton, for three years. Lake Superior Association—To be filled.

Member-at-Large—Dr. S. N. Oliver, for three years.

Member-at-Large—Mr. Stanley F. Dole, for three years.

Member-at-Large—Mrs. E. A. Schaap, for three years.

Member-at-Large—Dr. St. Clare Parsons, for three years.

Member-at-Large—Mrs. Keith Elliot, for three years.

Gladstone Association—Rev. Serge F. Hummon, for one year.

Moderator—Rev. Ray T. Caldwell.

Assistant Moderator—Mr. Ray Johnston.

#### Midwest Regional Committee

Miss Frances Dunnette, for two years; Dr. Percy Graham, for three years.

#### **Business Committee**

Dr. Howard R. Towne, Rev. A. M. Meikle, Rev. Russell McConnell, for two years; Miss Frances Dunnette, for one year.

#### **Nominating Committee**

Mrs. T. W. Nadal, Rev. Robert Burtt, for two years.

#### Board of Christian Education

Rev. Frank T. Jensen, Rev. Serge F. Hummon, Dr. John B. Bennett, Miss Winona G. Arrick, for three years; Rev. James C. Mead, for two years; Rev. E. E. Hoats, Rev. James S. Caskey, Rev. R. R. Denison, for one year.

## Board of Directors, Michigan Council of Churches

Rev. Paul H. Clark, Mrs. E. L. Martin, for two years.

## Committee on Examination and Course of Study

Dr. Howard Blanning, Dr. L. A. Parr, Rev. Gordon Speer, Dr. Howard R. Towne, for one year.

#### Committee on Home Missions

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

#### Committee on Ministerial Relief

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees.

#### Committee on Resolutions

Rev. John Gehring, Rev. Roger Gough, Rev. H. Butler Fairman, for one year.

#### Committee on Social Relations

Rev. George E. Drew, Chairman; Rev. Charles W. Scheid, Rev. George W. Shepherd, Rev. Thomas S. Vernon, Rev. James C. Mead, Rev. Gordon Speer, for one year.

#### Committee on Evangelism and Devotional Life

Rev. A. A. Nelson, Chairman; Dr. Malcolm B. Dana, Rev. John Rose, Rev. Halley B. Oliver, Rev. Robert Barksdale, Rev. Norman Woon, for one year.

#### Bureau of Pastoral Supply

Rev. Clarence Oberlin, for three years.

## Board of Trustees of Peoples Church, East Lansing

Dr. Harold N. Skidmore, Superintendent,

## Board of Trustees of Christian Student Foundation

Rev. Ward K. Klopp, Durand, for one year.

## Seminary Visitor

Rev. Robert Kemper, for one year.

# Michigan Representative Confirmed to Prudential Committee A.B.C.F.M.

Dr. Roger Eddy Treat, for four years.

DR. S. N. OLIVER,
REV. NORMAN WOON,
REV. E. RICHARD EVANS,
Committee.

## MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Articles of Association

#### ARTICLE I

The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known in law, is the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

#### ARTICLE II

The object of this society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, to cooperate with the national Congregational Home Missionary Society in the cause of missions in other states and territories, and to diffuse Christian knowledge within this state by missionaries, publication and such other means, agencies and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

#### ARTICLE III

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m., at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held. If any exigency arise which necessitates a change in the time of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference the date of the annual meeting of this society may, by vote of the officers, upon due notice, be changed to correspond with that of the annual meeting of the Michigan Conference.

## ARTICLE IV

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be ex-officiss the trustees of the said society and shall have in relation to the business, funds and all other interests of said society the same powers, rights and duties, which are given them as trustees of said Michigan Congregational Conference.

The annual meeting of the trustees shall be held at the time of, or immediately after the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and eleven members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

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Said board shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the Michigan Home Missionary Society and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said society or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will or bequest of the donors: Provided, however, That the society may make such application through the agency of the board of trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its agencies, if in their judgment it shall seem desirable so to do. Said board of trustees or the executive committee thereof may be made the agents of the board of trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of making such application, with such powers in relation thereto as may be granted by the board of trustees of said society.

#### ARTICLE V

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and of life members, to be elected or appointed in such manner as this society may hereafter provide, and also of nine delegates from the Woman's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

#### ARTICLE VI

Twenty-five members of the society present at any meeting legally assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

#### ARTICLE VII

Said corporation may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the prosecution in the State of Michigan of Christian work as indicated in Article II of the constitution, by missionaries, publications and such other means, agencies, and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor. Said Michigan Home Missionary Society shall have power to receive and execute trusts for the general purposes of said society, and may receive, hold, invest, reinvest and expend all money and other property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Home Missionary Society, and shall execute said trusts for the general purposes of the said corporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is incorporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is in-corporated in accordance with the terms and conditions of said trusts.

## ARTICLE VIII

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the date thereof.

Done at Olivet, Michigan, June 13, 1895. Amended at Lansing, Michigan, May 21, 1908.

#### Constitution and By-Laws

#### ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

#### ARTICLE II

The object of this society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, and to cooperate with all the benevolent organizations of the church and especially with the Michigan Congregational Conference in the cause of missions in other states and territories.

#### ARTICLE III

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference and of life members, and also nine delegates from the Women's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state may become a life member of this society upon the payment to the society in his behalf of the sum of thirty dollars, and an election to such membership by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of this society; it being provided that in connection with the gifts of churches, life membership is to be conferred only upon such persons as have been elected to this honor by the contributing churches; such election to be properly certified to the treasurer of this society.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state shall be eligible to election to any office in this society.

#### ARTICLE IV

The officers of this society shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the society and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Said officers shall furnish the board of trustees with any information required by them on all matters relating to their respective departments, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to these offices.

#### ARTICLE V

The annual meeting of this society shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held.

Special meetings may be called whenever, in the unanimous opinion of the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, the interests of the society so demand.

#### ARTICLE VI

Twenty-five members of the society, present at any meeting legally assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### ARTICLE VII

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be ex-officiss the trustees of this society. Their powers and duties shall be the same with reference to this society, the conduct of its affairs and the administration of its property and interests as defined for the trustees of the said Congregational Conference in the constitution and by-laws thereof.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The society may, from time to time, adopt such rules as may be necessary for the dispatch of business.

## ARTICLE IX

The constitution and by-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

#### **BY-LAWS**

The fiscal year of this society shall close at the same time as the fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

# MINUTES OF THE MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Fifty-second Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society was called to order by its president, the Rev. Clark Adams of Atlanta, May 22, 1946, at 10:50 a.m. Motion was made that the Scribe of the Conference be Scribe of the Society. Motion carried. It was voted that the Nominating Committee of the Conference be chosen Nominating Committee for the Missionary Society. The motion carried. Nominations were presented. It was voted that the Scribe cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees.

President—Rev. Clark G. Adams, Atlanta Vice-President—Rev. C. Floyd Wright, New Troy Secretary—Superintendent of the Conference Treasurer—Treasurer of the Conference Scribe—Scribe of the Conference

The following resolution was introduced by the Rev. E. E. Hoats and upon his motion adopted by a unanimous vote:

"Be it Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational-Christian Conference and/or its Executive Committee, are hereby appointed the agents of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of applying the funds of this Society to the purpose designated by the donors thereof and/or to any other work of the Society, as, in their judgment and direction may be for the best interest of the work; and further

"That the Superintendent of the said Michigan Congregational Conference be given power of attorney, with authority to act for this Society in all necessary business and legal transactions."

Upon motion of Mr. Hoats the Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society was adjourned.

CLARK G. ADAMS, President. CHARLES B. HASTIE, Scribe.

#### (EXHIBIT I)

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND REGISTRAR

With this report your Superintendent completes five years of work in the State Office. The temptation will be to lengthen the report by some long range comparisons. Remembering that comparisons are likely to be "odious" we shall control the urge. Furthermore, this report must not only reflect the work of the year, but also give some view of future planning. We become a require the statistical properties of the pear of the planning. We began as usual with a statistical report as compiled from Year Book reports as sent us by church clerks.

#### MINISTERIAL RECORD

#### Entering the Fellowship

Donald S. Bourne, Chaplain to Associate, Benton Harbor Charles Hastie, Chaplain to Associate, Saginaw Charles Hastie, Chaplain to Associate, Saginaw Russell McConnell, Chaplain on leave of absence, returned to Charlotte Wm. P. D. Powe, Chaplain to Bronson C. Elliott Gardner, Chewelah, Washington, to Bangor Hal Oliver, Oberlin Seminary to Belding Gerald Hallauer, Oberlin Seminary to Britton Kenneth Griswold, Oberlin Seminary to Dundee Oliver S. Page, Westminster Seminary, to Roscommon-Luzerne A. C. Schue, Tekonsha to Breckenridge P. S. Levonian, Los Angeles, California, to Detroit Armenian James C. Mead, Friends Service Committee to Jackson First M. R. Fenner. Butte Mountain to Calumet. M. R. Fenner, Butte Mountain to Calumet.

From other denominations:

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Harry Kellogg, Baptist, to Clinton
Thomas Toy, Baptist, to Hudson
E. J. Millington, Baptist, to Reed City and Hersey
Thornley Eddy, United Brethren, to Dearborn First
H. B. Storey, United Church of Canada, to Cheboygan
A. J. Arendt, Lutheran, to Lawrence
Garth Smith, Methodist, to supply Big Prairie
Lowell J. McCarty, to Perry
Glenn I. McCarty, Licentiate, to Saranac

#### Loss by Death

Rex O. Holman

Charles E. Taggart

#### Loss by Removal

Hubert N. Dukes, Jackson, to Grand Forks, North Dakota Harold Janes, Grand Rapids, to Omaha, Nebraska Russell E. Myers, Lansing Mayflower, to Minneapolis, Minnesota Gerald A. Smith, Delta Parish, to business Harold Scott, Flint, to Miami, Florida
Glenn Utterback, Calumet, to Fort Worth, Texas
Paul F. Voelker, Saranac, to Centerville (Presbyterian)
George E. Gullen, Dearborn, to business
James M. Turner, Grand Blanc, retired
Ernest C. Goetz, Breckenridge, to business
Leland E. Sumner, Grand Rapids, to Red Cross Service
Francis E. Mahaffy, Roscommon, to Foreign Field
Milton G. Wheelock, Buckley, retired
W. O. Miller, Mattawan
Merrit D. Fruer, Perry
Harry Malson, Prattville
Charles H. Evans, Vermontville

#### **Ordinations**

Gerald Hallauer, Britton, Jackson Association Serge Hummon, Delta Larger Parish, Jackson Association Lawrence O. Johnson, Coloma, Kalamazoo Association Halley B. Oliver, Belding, by Council Oliver S. Page, Roscommon, Cheboygan Association Arthur Swann, Grand Rapids Association

#### Summary

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Congregational pastors serving Michigan churches	132 34		
Total	166 72		
Church Record			
Yoked fields (including 72 churches)	36 9		
Membership			
Accessions for the year 1945  Losses  Net gain  Total membership January 1, 1946  Average attendance (127 churches reporting)	2,858 1,598		
Church Schools			
Membership January 1, 1946 (gain 547 during year)	5,186		
Financial Record			
	7,291 1,754 5,323 2,529		

#### Legacies

Detroit First East Lansing Fremont	2,414 100 5,000 900 1,000 6,924 1,000 2,400	Greenville \$\frac{\$}{\text{Hudson}}\$  Jackson First \$\text{Kalamazoo}\$  Lake Odessa \$\text{Litchfield}\$  Ludington \$\text{Newaygo}\$  Owosso	1,000 500 500 300 380
Grand Rapids Burlingame.	2,300	\$3	33 091

#### THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES

By the above statistics it is seen that twenty-two men have entered our fellowship since last Conference. Of these four are from outside the State; four are returned Chaplains; eight are from other demoninations; four are from Seminaries; three from Oberlin; one from Westminster, and one from a community church. Ministers have been called to forty-three churches in 36 parishes. In the year seven have changed parishes within the State as over against eighteen last year. These are as follows:

Motier C. Bullock, Reed City and Hersey, to Grand Blanc Arthur E. Gay, Grass Lake, to Leslie Lawrence Horning, Leslie, to Newaygo Serge F. Hummon, Hudson Larger Parish, to Delta Parish Wm. J. Hunter, Kinderhook, to Onondaga Robert McCleary, Bronson, to Lansing Mayflower Wm. D. Paterson, Lawrence, to Lake Odessa

Our losses from pastorates in the State are again high with seventeen; there were twenty-two in the previous year. Of these, eight have gone to other pastorates; four to business; four have retired, and one to the foreign field.

Last year at this time we had thirteen vacant parishes while this year we have nine, as follows:

Charlevoix Clare Flint (supplied) Grand Rapids Wallin Grandville (supplied) Kinderhook Mattawan Somerset-Wheatland (supplied) Vermontville (supplied)

#### Membership

Michigan Congregationalism shows steady growth in Church Membership. However, the growth might still be called indifferent. Aggregate gains for 1945 were 4,456 or 471 more than in 1944, for a plus of a little more than 8 per cent. Of these 2,541 came on confession, and 1,915 came by letter. Meantime the losses reported are as follows: 665 by death, 835 by letter, and 1,358 by roll revision, a total of 2,858, for a net gain of but 1,598 (107 more than 1944), to bring the total membership as of January 1, 1946, to 55,251. On January 1, 1941, our membership registered 47,781 which shows a five-year net gain of 7,470. This is really not enough.

#### Giving

There are gains to be reported in giving, both to the local church work and to missions. Again we can report that we are more comfortable financially than in some other years. However, we have not yet recovered to the high levels of predepression years. Of course, the real measure of the success of our giving should be in terms of our meeting the challenge of today's world to the church in line with our present ability to do so.

Home Expenses as reported by 206 churches, reached \$1,127,291 or \$201,927 more than in 1944. This gain accounts for the fact that many churches are reporting reserves in current accounts. This is per capita giving for the home church of \$21.00 as against \$17.24 for 1944. While in many churches these gains have been reflected in increased salaries to the ministers, it is appalling and disturbing to the Superintendent to find so many cases where this is not so. It does not seem right or fair that many churches will not substantially increase salary for the minister they have who has served them well, often for years, and then will make increases for another minister when forced to make change.

Benevolences also show increase. In the face of our needy world it is right that Michigan Congregationalists should realize that the very best Christian opportunity offered to them is through the channels of the missions of their church. Total apportionment giving has amounted to \$187,077 for Budgeted, Unbudgeted and Other Gifts. The increase over last year for all missions is \$22,301. In other words per capita giving for all missions for 1944 was \$3.01 and for 1945 it was \$3.67.

Broken down the report shows that of this total there has been received \$98,192 for Budgeted Benevolences, the foundation work of all our Missions in State Work, Home Boards and the American Board.

For Unbudgeted Benevolences the total was \$13,562, with \$7,683 for the Unit Plan and \$5,560 for Ministerial Relief from this amount.

Finally, there is a large increase in the Other Gifts column. The amount was \$75,323 as against \$68,077 in 1944. Of this the biggest single item was \$31,149 for War Services and Rehabilitation which in 1944 was \$18,695. Again, I point out that many churches insist on mistaking the meaning of the "Other Gifts" column, and including in it more than the legitimate "other gifts" to denominational enterprises which it is intended to record. When this is done it counts under "missions" some things which do not rightly belong under that head.

The process of enlisting churches in the total missionary project of the denomination is again called to your attention. In Michigan we do not send out apportionment quotas. Each year an appeal is made to every church to set its own Missionary goals and report these to the Conference. The plan works well. Churches do set their goals and have voluntarily been gradually increasing the giving. However, only about half our churches report to us. We could be very much helped if all our churches would respond to this one simple request.

#### The Developing Program

Field Work. Because the Superintendent places the relationship to the local church in direct services, and the services as pastor to the ministers as central or of first importance in his task, we speak first of the field work. The briefest survey shows this year to have been extremely strenuous in terms of actual contacts and mileages traveled. The Superintendent has preached 45 sermons, has made 66 addresses, and has held 41 meetings in local churches in conference with Boards and Committees. Visits have been made in all Association meetings, some in both fall and spring sessions. The Superintendent has taught in the Adult Institute. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Olivet College, the Board of Peoples Church, and the Executive Board of the Michigan Council of Churches. For the denomination the Superintendent is a member of the Joint Cabinet of the Missions Council and the Stewardship Commission of General Council. We have represented the State in the Midwest Regional Meeting and in the midwinter meeting of the denomination. The Superintendent has conducted many Schools for Churchmanship, and a one-week preaching mission.

Meantime the regular routines in the office, including many interviews with individuals and committees from the churches, meetings of Boards and Committees of the Conference, and the regular corporate business of the Conference have been carried on. Great credit is due to Mrs. Stokes and Miss Lohr for the precision and dispatch of the work of the office and for the promptness of our thousands of mailings.

Christian Education. The Minister of Education will make his own report as to the details of this program. The word that I would say is to call attention to trends. A great deal of direct service to our churches is rendered by this department. It is primarily a missionary service section of our work. The Christian Education Council is to be expanded, a closer tie with Association committees is already set up so that the basic Christian Education programs will more quickly be available to the local church. New stresses will be made, such as added emphasis on religion in the Christian home. For the first time in five years Church School enrollment shows increase. The trends have been discouraging. Let's observe the record for the past twenty-five years.

Church School enrollments:

1920 1925 1930	40,955	1945	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	24,639
1930		1946		25,186
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There is time here to say only that the Christian Education department of the Conference is aware of and at work upon the problem. Mr. Evans is constantly in the field.

A tremendous amount of work is being done also on the Summer Conference program. More Conferences and better Conferences leading into a more effective Pilgrim Fellowship program in the local church is the aim. At this time we pause to thank the great number of ministers and laymen who give so much to this phase of Conference work.

Women's Fellowship. A fine program in this department has been produced by President Frances Dunnette with her excellent Board of department heads and Association representatives. I cannot report the detail of this work for it is done by Miss Dunnette herself. It should be remembered that the President of the Women's Fellowship is not a paid member of our staff and that she gives great blocks of time to attend Association meetings and to visit local churches. Fine advances

have been made in the department in the balanced program of "the seven dwarfs" which are growing to be giants, and in the coordinations of the total of the woman's work. In every church where the denominational program is used by the women in cooperation with the State Fellowship, fine advances in missionary education and missionary giving have been made. The Friendly Service department also continues strong. A word should also be added about the splendid representation Miss Dunnette has given Michigan women on our National Boards.

Ministers' Retreat. The most successful Retreat was held at Olivet in February. Our leader was Dr. Allen Hunter of Los Angeles. About eighty of our ministers were present. The planning was in the hands of the Committee on Evangelism under the leadership of Rev. A. A. Nelson in cooperation with President Dana.

Association Meetings. These meetings are important. Ordinations, ministerial standing, successful liaison between the Conference and the local church and many other important details are in Association hands. As we have so often said, we appreciate the courtesy and take seriously the obligation of the visit of the "State team" to the Fall Meetings. These meetings should never be casual or indifferent and should be faithfully attended and seriously regarded by members of every church. Your Superintendent also urges that when an Ordination Council is called every minister be present and every church represented.

Conference News. The magazine has been published in ten issues, It has really "caught on." It is being used more and more by our churches as source material for missionary education. It should be obvious that at the price charged the magazine has to be subsidized by the Conference and fine Missions Council. With rising costs of paper and labor, more and more subsidizing will be necessary. The thought has been that since it is conceived as a promotional booklet this could be done. There are some, however, who feel that the magazine can easily be made to be self-sustaining. It should be enlarged and improved and then an adequate subscription price charged. Your Superintendent is one who takes this view. Perhaps the coming General Council will deal with this matter. Whatever is done will be carefully explained to the entire body and we feel that whatever necessary changes may be made that Michigan Congregationalists will be loyal to Conference News.

"The Union." The present state of the merger between the Congregational Christian and the Evangelical and Reformed denominations is one of continuing acquaintance. A year ago it was expected that we should be ready for some decisive voting at the coming Grinnell meeting. It is now understood that we are not prepared for that and that a longer period of education is necessary. We continue to urge careful attention to this matter by every church and every minister. It is now proposed that a more detailed "basis of union" shall be prepared so as to give the membership of our churches a more complete knowledge of what is proposed. We should all follow it carefully.

Planning and Survey Committee. During the year the Board of Trustees has authorized and established a new and most promising Committee called "Planning and Survey." It was created by the need for expanded leadership for the postwar program and has already proved its worth. It will be a continuing group and it will carefully study all processes of the Conference program. It is an advisory and not a legis-

lative body. From time to time it will make recommendations to the Board as needs are seen. Whatever suggestions for changes or for new programs that are made, these will be brought into effect by the regular and established processes of Conference government. This Committee has twenty members.

The Postwar Emergency Program. Like most great denominations, our churches are now in the midst of a great social action effort in our three-year program 1946-1947-1948 called the Postwar Emergency program. Its aim is the raising of a great \$4,500,000 fund divided between a program of Substantial and Courageous Increase to all our regular and ongoing missionary work, state, home and abroad, and the Committee for War Services and Rehabilitation. It is now hoped, since the end of the war has more clearly revealed the dire needs, that at least an additional \$1,000,000 will be added for C.W.V.R.

Simply stated the program called for a one-third increase on regular benevolences or apportionment for each of the three years. It calls also for a doubling of the total Michigan amount to C.W.V.R. for those years.

The processes of the program under the direction of the Planning and Survey Committee have been as follows:

- 1. Dr. Stauffacher's presentation at the 1945 Conference in Lansing.
- 2. Presentation of the program in each Association by the Superintendent and a National representative.
- Attempt to get the Postwar Plan Brochure into the hands of members of every church.
- 4. Letters to every pastor from the State Office.
- 5. Letters to every pastor and to Area chairmen from Rev. Robert Burtt, Chairman of the State C.W.V.R. Committee.
- 6. Continuous reports and articles in Conference News.
- 7. State Conference summarizing pamphlet enlisting every church and asking that every church state its goals.
- 8. Numerous presentations in local churches by the Superintendent.

The results indicated are most encouraging though only about half our churches have actually reported their intended goals. These reports show seventeen pledging the same; twenty pledging increase; and sixty pledging full third increase or more to S.C.I. It also shows every church reporting promising some gift to C.W.V.R. We believe that as our churches see more clearly the world's needs and as they realize that the best and most efficient way to meet these needs is through the missions of the church, that Michigan will more than meet its quota to the Postwar Emergency Fund.

You are reminded that all money given in this fund for S.C.I. will be divided according to regular percentages of regular budgeted benevolences; 40 per cent to State Work and 60 per cent to Home and Foreign Boards. All this is to be used for Postwar Emergency needs as stated in the brochure. The money given to C.W.V.R. goes directly through for non-recurring, war-caused needs all over the world and will be credited to each church in the "Other Gifts" column of the yearbook.

The Planning and Survey Committee is already studying State needs where this increase will give us power for expanded work. It will give us greater effectiveness in the following proposed areas:

- Enlarged work in our strictly Missionary parishes, particularly in providing leadership a more than mere subsistence level.
- Extension of work in Missionary areas first in unchurched areas and second in "high potential" areas in cities providing new opportunities for new churches.
- Greatly increased work for students in schools and colleges; particularly where returned veterans are students.
- 4. Provide a totally different equipment and location facilities for the rapidly expanding summer conferences.
- Provide care for aged ministers otherwise completely unprovided for by denominational plans.
- Provide new and needed direct services to local churches by State Conference staff.

These are but the beginning of a sounder and more extended and effective outreach of our churches. The Home Board and American Board objectives are completely reported in the brochure.

The Unit Plan. Just a word here. This is the plan by which nationally we must raise twelve hundred \$100-units a year to fulfill obligation to retired minister members of the Original Annuity Plan. Michigan's share is seventy-two units a year. Last year we provided seventy-six, for the first time meeting our quota. We are sixty units behind in the first four years of the ten-year plan. We ought to begin to catch up by getting one hundred units this year.

#### Summary

Michigan Congregationalism is a healthy, going concern. Our churches are strong and influential, growing in size and in ability to serve in the communities in which they are located. The spirit of our churches is a good spirit in that we constantly examine ourselves against the standard of the Christian ethic and against the standard of the gospel of Christ.

Our churches in Michigan are a dynamic and generating center for the spirit of true liberalism and it is a happy fact that this is not only true theologically but socially as well. There is no movement for human welfare in any community where Congregationalists are not liberally represented in the leadership. Christian social action is not frowned upon nor evaded and it is being made operative in the immediate situations beginning in the stress of Christian home life and extending through every social force to the ends of the earth through the Christian mission of the church universal.

Great stress is at present being laid on building maintenance and repair and a great many of our churches have provided funds for this as well as for new buildings in the immediate future.

The ministers of our State are a fine, strong and well-trained corps of Christian men, earnestly seeking to uphold the finest traditions of devotion and service of the profession. Ours is a great fellowship. The

State staff is constantly appreciative of the sincere cooperations of churches and ministers which is making for sound confidence in, as well as effective administration of, all the programs of the fellowship.

The world in which we live is a tired, discouraged, disillusioned and disappointed world. There is confusion and doubt everywhere. The aftermath and the reactions from the war are upon us. It will take great faith in God and steady practice of the gospel of Christ to give our world leading and hope for the future. These are the stock-in-trade of the church. Ours is a great day and we shall meet the challenge certainly "In His name and for their sake."

HAROLD N. SKIDMORE.

# (EXHIBIT II)

# REPORT OF TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 11, 1946

# RECELPTS

Cash on hand January 11, 1945			\$ 11,097.29
From Churches From All Other Sources, including Interest on Investments, Per Capita Maintenance and Re-		,	
funds		8,393.48	40,600.93
Transmission Accounts:  For Home Boards	\$	24,093.77	
For Foreign Board For Ministerial Relief For Unit Plan For General Council (Per Capita Maintenance) For Miscellaneous, including War Services	_	22,290.90 2,098.30 4,418.36 4,172.61 9,505.12	66,579.06
Other Accounts:			
From Matured Securities for Reinvestment From Wm. Dick Estate From Interest Investments and Refunds, Women's Department	\$	12,229.44 9,800.00 861.66	
From Pilgrim Fellowship From Extension Fund—Repayment Loans From Glasson Fund—Repayment Loan		962.06 113.03 100.00	24,066.19
			\$142,343.47
DISBURSEMENTS State Work:			
Grants to Home Missionary Pastors Detroit Association of Churches State Share to Debt of Honor Annuities	\$ _	6,346.27 2,448.16 467.71 349.10	\$ 9,611.24
Salaries:			
Director Christian Education Secretary and Assistant Treasurer Office Secretary	\$	5,000.00 2,800.00 2,000.00 1,800.00	,
Other		49.50	11,649.50

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Travel:			
Staff Missionary Itineraries State Meeting Boards and Committees	\$	773.07 533.72 88.06 566.47	\$ 1,961.32
General Administration:			
Maintenance and Amortization:			
Office Building	\$	1,200.00 900.00 700.00	
Printing: .			
Conference News		1,787.58	
Postage Telephone and Telegrams Literature and Supplies Insurance, Bonds and Taxes Miscellaneous Social Action		421.84 258.50 564.34 96.11 50.57 32.40	6,011.34
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Transmission Accounts:			
For Home Board For Foreign Board For Ministerial Relief For Unit Plan For General Council (Per Capita Maintenance) For Miscellaneous, including War Services	•	24,093.77 22,290.90 2,098.30 4,418.36 4,172.61 9,477.62	66,551.56
Other Accounts:			
Women's Missionary Society  Pilgrim Fellowship  Investments	5	833.34 1,084.14 22,017.23	23,934.71
			\$119,719.67
Cash on hand January 11, 1946	• • •		22,623.80
			\$142,343.47
Audited and approved April 23, 1946.		,	25%

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### (EXHIBIT III)

# REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

I am pleased to submit a report of activities of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference Finance Committee for the year 1945. There have been investments approximating \$10,128.81 of available funds belonging to the Conference, realized through moneys received from the sale and calling of securities and other sources. An additional \$1,800 was received on the legacy given under the will of Dr. William Dick, making a total of \$9,800 received from that source during the past two years.

The properties belonging to the various funds of the Conference are set forth herein. The values set opposite the various items of property are the par values of the same, with the exception of the securities purchased since the report of May, 1943, on which I am showing the purchase prices.

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The following properties now held for the State Work Fund of the

Conference were purchased prior to May, 1945:	ork rulla or the
East Lansing Building and Loan Stock	00.00
Capitol Savings and Loan Stock	80.00
Lansing Savings and Loan Stock	00.00
relephone Bond and Share Bonds	00.00
Washington Square Development Co. Bonds 5 00	00.00
United Light and Railway Bonds 500	00.00
Dominion of Canada Government Bonds 300	00.00
Standard Chevrolet Sales Company Bond 40	00.00
U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G. 200	00.00
Standard Oil of New Jersey Stock—122 Shares 500	00.00
Consolidated Natural Gas Co. Stock—12 Shares 99	38.00
Cincinnati Gas & Electric 5% Preferred Stock—	
30 Shares 205	55.00
United Light & Railway 6% Preferred Stock—	
50 Shares 5 04	2.50
Northern Indiana Public Service 31/2/2 Ronds 3/10	9.13
Central Power & Light Association 31/9% Ronds 200	6.25
American Kadiator & Standard Sanitary Common	
Stock—25 Shares	5.75
DURUEH COMPANY Common Stock—50 Shares 1 47	5.89
Chase National Bank Stock—100 Shares 365	0.00
National Biscuit Co. Common Stock—30 Shares 66	3.82
Celanese Corporation—12 Shares	9.00
Dank of Mannattan—100 Shares	5.00
Corn Exchange Bank & Trust Co.—100 Shares. 5,62.	5.00
National Biscuit Co. Common Stock—50 Shares 1,25.	
Conference Residence 10,000	0.00
Residence for Director of Christian Education 7,000	0.00 \$76,050.25
Real Estate Mortgages and Contract:	
Office Building	
Office Building \$ 3,392 Burlingame Parsonage 1,965	. 16
(Van Core Mortgage of \$2,900 has been paid in full)	
( core and regarded of \$\pi_2,500 has been paid in full)	7,235.41

The following property was purchased for the State Work Fund of the Conference since May, 1945:	
U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G	\$ 1,000.00
Total of Properties Held for State Work Fund	\$84,285.66
The following properties now held for the Ministerial Relief Fund were purchased prior to May, 1945:	
East Lansing Building and Loan Stock	10,969.50
Real Estate Mortgages:	
Whiting Farm, Clinton County	3,275.00
The following properties now held for the Ministerial Relief Fund were purchased since May, 1945:	
U. S. of A. Savings Defense Bond, Series G	1,000.00
The following properties now held for the Woman's Home Missionary Society were purchased prior to May, 1945:	
Telephone Bond and Share Company Bonds \$ 3,000.00 Canadian National Railway Company Bonds 1,000.00 General Motors Corporation Stock—16 Shares 160.00 Peoples Federal Savings Stock—5 Shares 250.00 Celanese Corporation—10 Shares 2,587.50 (Portland General Electric Company 4¼% Bonds \$3,000 par were called at 102. City of Royal Oak,	
Michigan, Bonds \$2,000 par were also called.)	6,997.50
The following properties now held for the Woman's Home Missionary Society were purchased since May, 1945:	
Portland General Electric Company 31/8% Bonds, par \$3,000	<b>.</b>
Preferred Stock—25 Shares	5,659.80

The following list of common stocks are held jointly by the State Work Fund 37%, Ministerial Relief Fund 33%, and Woman's Home Missionary Society 30%:

Market	: Value as of M	[ay, 1945
American Radiator Stock—25 Shares	\$ 375.00	
Consolidated Edison Company—20 Shares	600.00	
General Electric Company—15 Shares	637.50	
General Motors Corporation—17 Shares	1,173.00	
Kennecott Copper Corporation—10 Shares	375.00	
National Biscuit Company—20 Shares	515.00	
Texas Corporation Stock—20 Shares	1,070.00	\$ 4,745.50

The following list of securities are owned jointly by the State Work Fund 77%, Ministerial Relief Fund 6%, and Woman's Home Missionary Society 17%:

Pacific Gas & Electric 3% First Mortgage Bonds	
—par \$2,000	\$ 2.023 50
Home Insurance Company Stock—100 Shares	2.775 00
Detroit Edison Company Stock—100 Shares	1,903.50
Wheeling Steel 31/4% Bonds, par \$3,000	3 090 00
(Consumers Power Company 5% Preferred Stock	0,070.00
-23 Shares called at 105)	

9,792.00

The following properties now held by the last above joint funds was purchased since May, 1945:

Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.—150 Shares ............ 2,469

Grand Total of Properties ......\$129,193.97

Cash on hand belonging to the various funds of the Conference on January 11, 1946, amounted to \$22,623.80.

From the Woman's Home Missionary Society Fund \$3,000 par value Portland General Electric 4½% Bonds were called at 102, or \$3,060, and \$2,000 par City of Royal Oak Bonds were called at par, and a Certificate of Indebtedness of that City was paid at \$352.50. From the last abovementioned joint funds 23 shares of Consumers Power Company 5% Stock was called at 105, or \$2,415.

The office building has been depreciated from \$3,737.77 to \$3,392.16 and the investment in the Burlingame Parsonage has been reduced from \$2,086.92 to \$1,965.12.

In a general review of the investment account of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference, in the amount of approximately \$110,000 market value, the Committee finds that the investment ratio of bonds, preferred stocks, and common stocks are approximately 30%, 20%, and 50%, respectively.

The bond return is slightly better than 3%. The preferred stock return averages better than 5%. This is because the Conference still has some high dividend rate preferreds which have not been called, although discussions of their call have taken place for some months. The return on the common stocks exceeds 5% on the basis of the cost price, considerably less, naturally, on the basis of present market prices. Our largest single investment is Standard Oil of New Jersey, of which there

are 150 shares purchased in 1939. The bonds and preferred stocks are mostly of companies with long-established, successful records of operation and earnings. The common stocks are investments in companies, some of whose dividend records run back nearly one hundred years without interruption in dividend payment.

It would appear to your Committee that the whole account is of good investment quality. The only recommendation your Committee would made is that, should some of these stocks reach a point in the market where the prices are high in proportion to the historical record of earnings, they be sold and the proceeds placed in bonds for the various funds.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY C. LILLIE,

Chairman of Finance Committee.

Grand Rapids, Michigan. May 18, 1946.

#### (EXHIBIT IV)

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

at the Meeting of the Conference held in Kalamazoo, May 22 and 23, 1946

Until one has actually become part of the personnel and the machinery necessary to keep our Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference functioning he has no idea how much time, talent and effort is contributed to that end by a surprisingly large number of people. These include those in the local churches who are the life-blood of the Conference, quite as much as those elected officials who are delegated with the responsibility of seeing that the specific work of the Conference is done. There are no fewer than eighty elected officers and committeemen doing the work of the Conference and we all know that this number does not begin to reveal, to say nothing of exhausting the full complement of those who can be said to be doing the work of the Conference, directly and indirectly. Apart from the faithfulness of this larger and devoted group, the work of the twenty-four elected members of the Board of Trustees would be inconsiderable. Apart from the gifts and services of these people in the local, constituent parishes of the Conference, it goes without saying that your Board could do nothing. We pay tribute to the generous contributions from these churches which have lifted the receipts of the Conference treasury by more than 13 per cent over those of the preceding year, for all missions.

You have had a group of faithful Trustees, as well, who during the year just past have held 3 regular meetings with an average attendance of 20. In addition, the Executive Committee of the Board, consisting of seven members authorized to act for the full Board in the interim between its plenary sessions has held 3 meetings in the past twelvementh, at which the average attendance was 7. When you realize that your Trustees are busy people and are drawn from all Associations in the state, these attendance averages are an evidence of the seriousness with which the work of the Conference has been taken by them.

There is not one of us who does not rejoice that the Conference has such an effective, wise and diligent leader in the person of its Superintendent, Dr. Harold N. Skidmore. His tireless devotion to his task, as well as his boundless enthusiasm for the Cause, always results in giving scriptural measure of personal service and often to a degree beyond the point of what is physically and nervously wise. It is always easy to push a willing horse to the point of unwise over-extension. We must not ask too much of our Superintendent, particularly of one who does not find it in his heart to say NO to any reasonable request. Christians are taught to expect to receive when they ask. They ought not always to ask.

The Superintendent would be the first to deny and disclaim responsibility, even in large part, for the success of the work of the Conference during the year past. He has been ably assisted by the Rev. Donald R.

Evans, whose work in connection with the promotion of Christian Education and whose leadership in relation to the summer conferences have proved both constructive and productive of evident results. Mrs. Fay R. Stokes has continued to serve as only she can as Office Secretary and Assistant Treasurer. The multiplicity of details with which she is familiar, and of which she is complete mistress, makes us realize how difficult, if not impossible, it will be to replace her as she has already indicated we soon must. While in the wise economy of things, it is well that no one is indispensable, nevertheless, Mrs. Stokes has come as near being so in relation to the maintenance of complete and accurate records of the Conference's activities as anyone conceivably could. And Miss Katherine Lohr, who came on to our Conference office staff more than two years ago, has further redeemed the promise of rich usefulness which was evident when the Board's report was made to this body a year ago.

In view of the eminently successful manner in which the work of the Conference was advanced by its staff, we recommend that they be continued in office for the ensuing year. We recommend, specifically, that Dr. Harold N. Skidmore be re-elected Superintendent and Minister of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference, that Mr. E. E. Harris be re-elected Treasurer, that Mrs. Fay R. Stokes be re-elected Secretary and Assistant Treasurer, each for a term of one year at the present salary, and that the necessary bonds be given.

Finally, we would recommend to each and every member of the constituent churches of the Conference the continuation of the good work being done towards implementing and extending the work of each local Congregational and Christian Church in Michigan in its outreach beyond its own borders, in the state, nation and world. We have a definite and essential contribution to make towards healing the hurts of the world in this all-important postwar era. Let us be neither remiss nor niggardly in our response to the duty of the opportunity confronting us in that era, both at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER EDDY TREAT, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

#### (EXHIBIT V)

# REPORT OF PRESIDENT WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONFERENCE

The year of 1945 has been a very busy one for your president. I wish that I had time to tell you of all of the things that I have done, interesting mail that has gone across my desk, of the hard things, the interesting outcome of projects that I had a special interest in—but of course there is not time for all. I have wanted to be in all of your churches, but you know that that too is impossible, but I have tried to come to you when you have needed special help in getting our departmental work started in your groups.

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It has been interesting to watch some of you unfold and become filled with new enthusiasm as your departments started functioning. Many of you who were most doubtful of being able to do it have completed your organization and now know that it is the simplest way of present-

ing our program.

The setting up of the Seven Departments has put many people into active service in the church and by giving them one particular thing to do, it has simplified and clarified our work and taken away the confusion that has often arisen when one person has tried to carry the entire load. Many Associations have brought together the chairmen of each of the departments in separate groups or seminars and by working together in these small groups have helped to get these departments working and have brought about a much closer fellowship. You have become acquainted with many other Congregational Christian women.

It has been a year of many new ideas, for through your departments you have learned of many goals and achievements of the denomination of which you knew nothing before. The Association presidents have given me very close cooperation and have done an excellent job of organization in all of our twelve Associations. They have worked diligently to make a success of our state project—Seven Departments in every church group. Of course there are still some who are missing a great deal because they have not worked this out, but I am sure they will soon realize the great benefits that can be theirs if they will endeavor to carry out this plan of our Fellowship.

The chairmen or our state departments have worked out many pro-

The chairmen or our state departments have worked out many programs for you, they have answered questions and at all times they have been ready to help you with any and all problems. They are each well qualified for their work and it is to your advantage to make use of them. They will again be at the Adult Institute at Olivet where you can work

with them on any individual problems that you may have.

At the February Executive Board meeting it was voted to again send the Program Packets into every church in the state, the price to be \$1.00. It will again include one year's subscription to Guide Posts, a booklet on our work in India, a booklet of programs, monthly Devotions prepared by Mrs. H. N. Skidmore and material for each of the Seven Departments. If you wish more than the one packet send in your order at once.

Of course you know that I made the rounds of the Fall Association meetings with Dr. and Mrs. Skidmore and Paul Reynolds. That, as you

will never know until you make it, is a very tiring, nerve-racking trip, but it has many highlights and you find yourself looking forward to the next year. No two groups of people are alike, believe it or not, but we enjoyed all of you.

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What special things have I done this year? The Midwest meeting was held in LaGrange, starting a day earlier than schedule with the state presidents meeting with Mrs. E. E. McClintock, and a meeting of the Nicoland Committee with Ruth Seabury presiding. The pro-National Missionary Committee with Ruth Seabury presiding. The program of the Midwest meeting centered around the Postwar Reconstruc-

tion Program and the International Group.

On December 12th I flew down to Cleveland to attend a committee composed of five women from the Evangelical and Reformed Church and five women from the Congregational and Christian Church. The aim of the meeting was to setup an outline of Women's Work in the merged church if such a merger takes place. We Congregational women soon found out that they were really "reformed" and they soon came to the conclusion that we were really "Christians" and our work progressed very satisfactorily.

Cleveland was again host for the Midwinter meeting, where we met three days before regular time for preconference meetings. On Saturday the entire staff of Social Action presented their work to the state presidents. Sunday was spent at Schauffler College reviewing the work of the Women's Fellowship, our National President Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson told us some interesting bits about her Friendship trip to England, and Mademoiselle Elizabeth Perdrizet of France closed the

day with worship.

Monday was a busy day of planning for the presidents. The study books for the coming year were presented. Our Home study theme for next year is "The Christian and Race" and our World study is "India." In our 1946-47 planning, the theme of our Worship services will be "The Lord Thy God" and the theme of our program will be "And Thy Neighbor." We shall try to discover the deeper meaning of the word

Neighbor.

Tuesday the regular Midwinter meeting opened with a Fellowship dinner and was followed by very busy days indeed. So much of interest and information that it is impossible to give it to you in this report. There was much discussion, in true Congregational fashion, on ways and means of raising monies for Postwar and Reconstruction, but they all agreed that these important Postwar needs be met as fully and as quickly as possible. It was brought to us very clearly that it was going to take more money than had been anticipated and that we must not only

raise our emergency funds but we must also go the second mile.

Visual Aids met us at every turn, very excellent materials are available to you and if you are not using them, consider it, for you are missing much good material. The meeting of the Board of Home Missions of which I am a member always holds many interesting items.

The Thursday morning meeting opened with a lovely communion service, with music by the girls from Schauffler College.

I left Cleveland that night flying home through snow and wind, tired, but filled with a deep desire to do everything that was possible to help in my small way to promote the splendid program of our Congregational denomination, and filled with joy over the fine fellowship of so many Christians ready to give a helping hand to the needy suffering people in this world of ours.

FRANCES DUNNETTE. President Women's Fellowship of Michigan.

#### (EXHIBIT VI)

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Upon the completion of another year's work your Board of Christian Education welcomes the opportunity of reporting to the Conference. However, not only will much of the detail of program and procedure be presented in the report of our Minister of Christian Education, the Rev. Donald Evans, who works throughout the Conference under the direction of the Board, but there will also appear in his report an outline of the general policies and principles that have guided the Board during the past year. Moreover, because this is a continuing and rapidly expanding area of Christian effort, we are certain his report will carry a prophetic note as he projects into the future the current emphases. Consequently, with Board and Director living and laboring in "harmony and felicity," all that is to be presented by our Minister of Christian Education does in the very nature of the case constitute a portion of this report and should so be regarded, which means that if there is not to be unnecessary duplication, there is left to the Board itself by way of report a few brief but to us important paragraphs.

In the first place we desire to commend most highly our Minister of Christian Education for the able and efficient services rendered both within the deliberations of the Board and throughout the State as he has ministered to the needs of local Churches and Associations. It is, of course, physically impossible for one man to answer all the calls that come, but we know that when summoned by you he has said "yes" more frequently than "no," and when the reply has had to be in the negative, has done everything within his power to make such arrangements as would discharge the obligation to the advantage and satisfaction of all concerned. We have been impressed with his leadership, his far vision in this important department of our denominational work, and we commend him most heartily for his devotion and untiring efforts. We are especially pleased with his work in the area of summer conferences and camps, where growth is so rapid and the need so vital that it is extremely difficult to keep pace with current developments. Long before these camps and conferences convene a tremendous amount of time and effort must be expended by way of preparation, which, however, we feel is fully warranted in the light of both interest and accomplishments. This has become for the Board a major project requiring a major portion of the Director's time; which, however, has not blinded Board or Director to other important phases of the work, such as the vastly increased college and university enrollment with its corresponding responsibility to Congregational youth, the returning service men, the young adults in the local parish, Daily Vacation Bible School, the renewed emphasis on Religion in the Home, Missionary Education. It has been an exceedingly busy and creative year with scarcely a dull moment for our Director.

Second, we desire to express appreciation for the splendid cooperation given so freely by so many of our churches and peoples throughout the Conference. It has long been our conviction that a program of Christian

Education should emerge from the "grass roots," the sand dunes, the production lines, the offices, the homes of Michigan, that is, out of the tested experiences, the needs and expressed desires of the Churches of the Conference. The Board of Christian Education is not and must never become in any sense an institution apart from the churches attempting to exercise from Lansing a sort of remote control. Whoever heard of such a thing in Congregational circles! Quite the opposite. The Board is an instrument of Conference and Churches to assist in the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and wherever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and christian tasks are the common tasks of Christian Education whenever those the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and the common tasks of Christian Education whenever the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and the common tasks of Christian Education whenever and the common tasks of Christian Education whenever the common tasks of Christian Educatio tasks are being performed. We therefore aim to maintain vital contact, first, through the members of the Board who come from all sections of the Conference and all types of churches, from city and rural churches, from churches large and small; second, through the field work in local parish and Association of our Minister of Christian Education; and third, through the Associations themselves and mainly with the Association Director or Committee of Religious Education. Unfortunately there continue to be a few churches and ministers that regard the whole religious education enterprise as a sort of spare tire, or perchance a superfluous spoke in an otherwise well-balanced wheel. Consequently any communication from the Board seeking information or desiring to share suggestions and programs is by them disregarded. Others there are who for one reason or another choose to live in "splendid isolation." However, these constitute a small minority. By far the majority of our churches prefer to act upon the conviction that Michigan Congregationalism constitutes a vital sustaining fellowship within which Congregationalism constitutes a vital sustaining fellowship within which certain well-defined responsibilities and privileges are held in common and willingly shared. We are impressed by the readiness of the major portion of our constituency "to wear the fatigue uniform of service" and are greatly indebted for the splendid cooperation this past year. If in this connection, we give first place to the Women's Association of our Conference, it is not done with prejudice or partiality, but out of a desire to recognize merit where merit has been achieved. A totally desire to recognize merit where merit has been achieved. A totally new development which we believe holds considerable promise for the future and to which Mr. Evans will have occasion to refer at some length is the Department of Christian Education sponsored by the Board. This is to be comprised of the regularly elected members of the Board, together with the Association Chairmen of Religious Education. There will be regularly stated meetings in which our total program will be reviewed and new work projected. While we thus organize for closer coordination on the Conference level, may we also report to you that coordination on the Conference level, may we also report to you that at all times it has been our policy to cooperate most fully with the Division of Christian Education of the General Council, a relationship which we have found most fruitful. Moreover, we are maintaining a working liaison with such interdenominational organizations as the Michigan Council of Churches and Christian Education, and the International Council of Religious Education, and would especially commend these to your consideration whenever they seek to function or offer services within your parishes and communities.

Third, in these critical years when secularism with its accompanying materialistic or mechanistic philosophy of life has become so dominant a factor in the educational and cultural interests of the nation, we share in common with many of you a profound concern for the future of Christian Education. We are fully conscious of the limitations under which we labor, as for example and to cite a single factor, the brief Sunday session of the Church School, together with irregularity of

attendance, and we follow with very real interest and enthusiasm all efforts to remedy any and all of these conditions, a number of which have considerable merit, such as week-day religious education, the emphasis on visual aids, adult education through forum and conference. But we urge upon our churches the realization that there are no short cuts, either in personal evangelism or world redemption, that the aptitudes, skills and attitudes essential to such undertakings are not to be acquired in "six easy lessons," and that wherever effective work is actually being done, by whatever means, there is always to be found a consecrated leadership wearing that "fatigue uniform of service." Consequently the major emphasis placed upon the Christian Education Institute at Olivet and all leadership educational projects! Disparaging remarks relative to the Sunday School, for example, may in part be justified but until more effective instruments have been fashioned, we urge the improvement and skillful employment of those we now have at hand. We agree with Bishop Oxham, President of the Federal Council of Churches, when in addressing a recent special meeting of the Council in Columbus, Ohio, he insisted that "Christianity was never more creative than in an hour of crisis" and later in the same address further insisted that "Religious Education must teach for a decision just as a sermon must preach for a verdict." We know full well what that decision must be and how frequently it must be made. Well chosen are the words of Oliver Powell in "Lenten Devotions for Young People" where he writes: "Some people like to report the place, day, hour and minute they 'accepted' Christ. You wonder if God, too, has it written in a notebook: 'October 10, 1945, at 7.45 p.m.'! Maybe He has. But I think He's a lot more interested in whether the same individual 'decided' for Christ at 9:45 p.m. on the same day or 3:20 the following Wednessing and people that come your way." Those situations are Hiroshima, an atomic age, international tension;

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL H. CLARK, Chairman.

#### (EXHIBIT VII)

### REPORT OF MINISTER OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The over-all objective of the work of the Christian Education Department in to make operative in the local churches the principles, methods, and techniques of proved worth. It is our purpose to bring about an ever closer relationship between the local churches and the State Board

of Christian Education and its committees.

In line with this policy, your Minister of Christian Education continues to place primary emphasis on field work. In the past year he has given 48 sermons and addresses, and has had 44 meetings—some of them two-day meetings, and longer. During the summer, he participated in six summer camps and conferences. It is also his policy to make unscheduled visits en route to appointments whenever time permits; many of these have been made during the year.

The Conference is indebted to the members of the Board of Christian Education for their untiring efforts in their respective fields. Time does not permit a full report of their activities; the account which follows

is but a sampling.

The Children's Committee has had six meetings. They have published two Newsletters (600 copies each) which have found wide usefulness in our churches. They have taken great care in planning for their section of the Christian Education Institute. Many individual teachers have written to the chairman for advice on specific problems, and such advices the chairman for advice on specific problems, and such advice has always been freely given.

The Junior High Committee has made a thoughtful analysis of our summer camp program and has instituted changes in program and procedure which, we believe, will improve the camps. One new Junior High camp is being added this summer; the Chairman of the Committee The Chairman of th mittee will be its director. For the future, the committee forsees a great opportunity in coordinating association Junior High organizations, and in aiding to establish such organizations where they do not

already exist.

The Youth Department has maintained its vigorous program of work and activities. There have been three meetings. In the fall, the Guide-book was published and distributed to all the churches. This publication is being increasingly effective in coordinating and stimulating the youth work in our churches. The summer conference program was thoughtfully evaluated; considerable change for the coming summer resulted. The Guidebook this fall will announce revisions in procedures for the State Pilgrim Evaluation considerable. for the State Pilgrim Fellowship organization; this revision culminates countless hours of debate and discussion. Uninitiated adults would be amazed at the care and thoughtfulness with which these young people attack their problems.

The College Council, composed of representatives from the six centers where Congregationalists have student work, has held two meetings. This Council is making for itself a place of increased usefulness in stimulating and strengthening religious work on the campus. Last fall it made a determined effort to make preliminary contact with Congregational students coming to college; unfortunately, it must be said that so far the individual churches have given scant cooperation in this matter. The Council has also given invaluable aid in enlisting college

students for service in our summer conferences.

The Leadership Education Committee has one purpose: to plan the program and leadership for the Christian Education Institute. The Institute has gained sufficient note that no further word of commenda-

tion need be made for this committee.

The Visual Education Committee has conducted a survey of the equipment available to our churches, and their felt need for visual aids. On the basis of this survey, the committee will be prepared to give impetus and guidance to a considerably expanded program. More will be said

of this in another connection.

The Curriculum Committee has had two meetings. They are currently engaged in a project of great significance. The National Division of Christian Education is now in the process of preparing a new curriculum for church schools, which, we believe, will be admirably suited to the needs of many of our churches. Our state Curriculum Committee is preparing itself to interpret these new materials and guide their introduction.

The Women's Fellowship carries on a vigorous program of Christian education. The State Chairman is ex-officio a member of the Board. While her full report belongs elsewhere, it should be stated here that

there is full cooperation and integration in this field.

It should be stated, in concluding a summary of the work of the Board of Christian Education, that the various members have made able contributions to the Conference News. These articles you have read and used.

In turning to plans for the future, there are four projects under way

which merit your attention:

Our summer conference program for 1946 has been considerably expanded. Last year we had five conferences; this year we are planning eight. This expansion has multiplied our leadership problems in regard to both ministers and qualified lay persons. It means that more of our young people can be given the kind of instruction that they want and should have. We will continue to expand until the needs of our churches are met. Future policy will be determined by the response this summer.

The revision in Pilgrim Fellowship procedures, referred to above, needs special attention. The changes will be fully explained in the fall Guidebook. The new method of missions giving will, we believe, have two important results: first, it will give the young people better training in the kind of stewardship they should practice later as adults; second, it will make the adults—particularly the trustees and treasurers—participants in the Pilgrim Fellowship program. These changes are commended to all of our churches for their careful consideration.

The Visual Education field continues to be a growing one. In order to meet the needs, the Trustees have authorized the purchase of a complete set of equipment for the state office. Your Minister of Christian Education will then be equipped to go into our churches to make effective demonstrations of these new techniques. The State Visual Education Committee is further making plans for a series of one-day institutes which will make basic instruction available to all churches desiring it.

Implementing our policy to bring ever closer relationship between local churches and state committees, the Board of Christian Education has voted to establish a Department of Christian Education, which will consist of the members of the Board, together with the various Association Chairmen of Christian Education. This new Department will hold its first meeting in June. Several specific projects are being prepared to present to the Department at its first meeting; adoption must, of course, wait until then. This Department will, we are confident, provide the means for an invigorated and increasingly coordinated Christian Education program for our churches.

DONALD R. EVANS.

#### (EXHIBIT VIII)

# REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM AND DEVOTIONAL LIFE

Your Committee is earnestly seeking what we believe must be the essentials of an intelligent and vigorous evangelism for the churches of our Conference. Our churches are woefully lacking in the urgency and dynamic required to confront the contemporary rampant paganisms and cultural disintegration.

Over large areas of the earth's surface our civilization has suffered complete collapse. In Europe and Asia institutions and mores that had been the source of order and meaning for millions of people for centuries have been shattered. In our own nation civilization is little more than a thin veneer. Protestant Christianity is swiftly losing whatever influence or authority it ever commanded in our country and in Western Civilization.

Vast social forces are engaged in mortal struggles in an effort to determine who shall control tomorrow's world. These contending forces are ideological and therefore they are basically religious. Consequently they immediately concern us.

Will Communism, or Fascism, or the Christian-democratic way of life that has been the genius of our Western Civilization, assume control in the next twenty-five years? Fifty years from now will our American culture be dominated by Roman Catholicism, secularism, or the Protestant Christian faith? Are we drifting toward tyranny and death, or can we bestir ourselves to build new and expanding freedoms and life?

The historic Hebrew-Christian tradition, which since the Renaissance and the Reformation, has found most adequate expression in our Protestant Christian faith, confronts this cultural conflict, confusion, and decay with three ruling convictions:

Number One. The Sovereignty and Fatherhood of God. By Sovereignty is meant that the will of God, as revealed in the person, outlook, and work of Jesus Christ, must be sovereign in our lives. By Fatherhood is meant that God's will is our welfare, personally and collectively, and that He is involved with us in the struggle of man through the centuries to achieve a free and wholesome life.

Number Two. The Brotherhood of Man, which connotes man's biological kinship and the mutuality and interdependence of all human life.

Number Three. The Sacredness of Human Personality, which means that man participates in the nature of God, and is therefore under moral obligation to labor with God in creating the conditions that will enable every person to achieve the fullest possible development.

These are ruling convictions because every truly Christian person holds them as matters of life-and-death importance and urgency in every area of life—personal, political, economic, social.

We believe it to be the function of the church to proclaim these ruling convictions and to seek their application to these areas of life. We believe this is what it means to advance the Kingdom of God on earth. It is the conviction of the members of this committee that the Christian

Church by and large is not functioning in this way. The weakness of its evangelistic program stems from its failure to understand its proper function.

Presented with this contemporary challenge, and being the institution that has nurtured and inherited these ruling convictions, the evangelistic task of our churches now becomes both realistic and stupendous. Realistic, because the issues have now become what many Christian leaders for the last half century have prophesied: Christianity or chaos. Stupendous, because the issues for any foreseeable future are truly in doubt, and we need to radically transform the churches of our Conference and reform our strategies of revealing and sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Therefore it is our recommendation that earnest thought and prayer be given to the problem of how the church can be focused on its true mission.

This Committee planned and conducted the Ministers' Retreat at Olivet College, February 26-28, 1946. Dr. Allan A. Hunter of Los Angeles, California, led us in a Scriptural Life Clinic on "The Audacity of Prayer." Dr. Wofford C. Timmons, Executive of the General Council Commission on Evangelism and Devotional Life, gave helpful leadership in a discussion of methods of evangelism.

It is expected that this Committee will plan another Retreat in February, 1947. We would deeply appreciate getting suggestions from our ministers on leaders and problems to be presented.

ANTHONY A. NELSON, Chairman.

#### (EXHIBIT IX)

### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

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Whereas, the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo through its minister, its various organizations, and members has provided every necessary facility for the furtherance of the work of the Conference and for the comfort of all its members.

Be it Resolved, That the members of this Conference heartily express appreciation and gratitude to the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo, the minister, Dr. William A. Keith, and his wife for friendly atmosphere with which they have surrounded us, and for the efficient manner in which they have cared for us; to the choir, director, and organist for aiding the services of worship.

2

Be it Resolved, That this Conference send a request to President Truman to grant amnesty to all Conscientious Objectors still detained in Federal prisons.

3

Whereas, in consideration of the request in a communication from Dr. Faville, Superintendent of the Wisconsin Conference, which request was read to the Conference, reflecting the fact that a serious concern has arisen in many minds because of the increasingly growing evils of the liquor traffic, and because at the present time there appears to be no one acceptable plan to combat it.

Be it Resolved, That in consideration of similar steps being taken by other denominations, we, the Michigan Congregational Christian Conference, respectfully memorialize the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches to (1) Approve the launching of a united temperance organization, and (2) Provide for the election of representatives from the General Council on the basis followed in representation on the Federal Council of Churches, who shall share in all responsibilities for developing the movement.

ROBERT M. BARKSDALE, Chairman. H. BUTLER FAIRMAN.

#### (EXHIBIT X)

# REPORT OF THE SEMINARY VISITOR

The Chicago Theological Seminary Annual Ministers' Week, held February 4-8, 1946, was launched by the very auspicious inauguration of Dr. Arthur Cushman McGiffert, Jr., as fifth president of the Seminary. Dr. McGiffert, a scholar, able administrator, and Christian gentleman, is not a stranger to the Seminary, having been its Professor of Christian Theology for 13 years previous to 1939. The inaugural academic procession included representatives of hundreds of academic institutions and ecclesiastical organizations in addition to the Federated Theological Faculty and the Directors, State Superintendents, Delegates to the Triennial Convention, State Visitors, and various special dignitaries. Rockefeller Memorial Chapel was filled to capacity for this impressive ceremony, which marked the beginning of a new chapter in the history of the Seminary.

The 1946 Ministers' Week program, built around the timely and stimulating theme "The Church in the Atomic Age," attracted a record attendance. The usual high quality of the Alden Tuthill Lectures was continued this year by four lecturers instead of one, namely: Reuben G. Gustavson, Vice-President, University of Chicago; Charles E. Merriam, Professor of Political Science, University of Chicago; Charles G. Morrison, Editor, The Christian Century; and Ernest F. Tittle, Minister, First Methodist Church, Evanston, Illinois.

President McGiffert met with the Seminary visitors from the Congregational Conferences of the Midwest and discussed the aims and policies of the Seminary and asked for suggestions for the improvement of its functions and its relation to individual churches and conferences. He reported that the Federated Theological Faculty arrangements is succeeding very well and has even greater promise for the future than was thought when the idea was conceived. President Hutchins of the University of Chicago expresses his convictions on the matter in these words: "I believe that it is one of the most important developments in the history of American education. . . . Upon the vitality of Christian education the fate of the world now depends. And the most vital of all ventures in Christian education is the Federated Theological Federated.

ventures in Christian education is the Federated Theological Faculty."

"Relevance" and "coordination" are receiving especial emphasis under the new educational policy. Christian education has discovered that the study of great books and their theories is not enough. Chicago Seminary believes that their students while studying books need also to acquire some fresh knowledge of the church, some fresh understanding of the social order, some first-hand fresh insight into human nature, so that they may be able to gauge the implications of the subject matter of as research and survey, which is done under the direction and supervision of the faculty. This is the relevance aspect of the special emphasis—the relevance of idea to action. The second emphasis seeks to meet the crying educational need for coordination. The coordination of knowledge with practical activity requires a controlling pattern. The Federated Faculty has taken as its cue for such a pattern the Christian

religion itself and is striving to achieve coordination within theological education by the use of history as a controlling pattern mindful that the Christian religion took its rise in a historic event and stakes it faith finally on the contemporary event, which is the impact of the divine Spirit upon the personal and social life of our day.

Each week-end from the Seminary, students pour out to do various kinds of work—21 go to pastorates of town, country, and city churches—with memberships from 28 to 200; 15 take charge of programs of young people's work in nearby churches; 16 lead boys' and girls' clubs in settlement houses back of the stockyards, near steel mills, etc.; 15 direct programs of religious education or teach classes in churches whose Sunday Schools register from 100 to 400; 7 assist ministers whose churches are too big for one man to handle alone; 5 help the Y.M.C.A. to get its program out from its buildings into the places where the boys are; 6 study the great city of Chicago to see what needs churches should minister to; 2 work with the Congregational students in the University; 1 is a case worker in a Juvenile Court; 1 works as a church secretary; the remainder carry on a miscellany of services.

Chicago Seminary carries on its work along two lines; it prepares ministers for the churches of tomorrow. Some day students now studying there will be leaders of Congregationalism in our Conference. At present 67 alumni are serving in our state. The Seminary also strengthens the present ministerial leadership by means of various extension services: Ministers' Week; its splendid magazine The Register; its loan library by which for cost of two-way book postage ministers can borrow any religious book they want to read or study. Seminary professors are constantly making visits to various states: to speak to ministers, at colleges, to young people's conferences, and to individual churches.

Ministers and laymen are urged to send to the Seminary names and addresses of young men who have committed themselves to the Christian ministry as a life work or are thinking seriously of so doing. The Seminary will put them on the mailing list so that they may keep in touch with events at the Seminary and receive printed material relating to the ministry and so form a sense of fellowship in their commitment and their hope.

The following statistics indicate registration and fields of endeavor chosen by graduates of the last three years:

Average student registration during last three years	122
Average number of Congregationalists	63
Other denominations represented	21

# Of C.T.S. graduates of the last three years:

- 35 are ministers of churches;
- 5 are directors of religious education;
- 4 are chaplains;
- 3 are on foreign mission service;
- 1 is in postwar rehabilitation abroad;
- 4 are doing further graduate study to become teachers of religion;
- 1 is director of radio for Congregational Christian churches;
- 1 is a Y.M.C.A. secretary;
- 7 are in a variety of other tasks.

This report may well be concluded with the words with which President McGiffert concluded his inaugural address. Concerning the task of the Seminary he said, "... it can educate men and women to understand and enjoy the riches of the Christian faith; it can transmit the magnificent traditions of Christian culture; it can equip prospective Christian leaders so that with courage, intelligence, and love they will come to grips with the contemporary pagan and secular world. Along this way, in God's good time and by His grace, the kingdoms of this world may become the Kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ."

Respectfully submitted,

DON L. DECOURSEY, Seminary Visitor.

#### (EXHIBIT XI)

#### **OBITUARIES**

Rex O. Holman. Born at Chester, Michigan, September 8, 1888. Education: Kalamazoo and Olivet College. Ordained: 1919. Michigan pastorates: Large Benzonia Parish, Mancelona, Hart, Manistee, Owosso. Died: Midland, Michigan, March 14, 1946, while serving as Veterans' Counselor for Midland County.

Charles E. Taggart. Born: January 28, 1858, at Adrian, Michigan. Education; Olivet College Academy and Olivet College, with A.B. degree in 1883. Ordained: July, 1886, at St. Ignace, Michigan. Michigan pastorates: Three Qaks, Litchfield, Reed City, Almont, Charlevoix, Portland. Died: November 3, 1945, at Washington, D. C.

## BY-LAWS OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

### Adopted May 19, 1943

#### ARTICLE I

#### Name

The name of this society shall be the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference.

#### ARTICLE II

#### Purpose

The purpose of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be to enlist the cooperation of the Women's organizations of the local churches of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference by means of educational and inspirational programs to promote closer fellowship and to enlarge the sphere of activity and sense of responsibility, to further in every way possible the cause of Christ throughout the world. To receive, to hold and to allocate funds given and trusted to the Women's Fellowship.

#### ARTICLE III

#### Membership

All women within and of the Congregational and Christian Churches and any Women's organizations within these churches by virtue of their gifts or service shall constitute the membership of the society.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### Officers and Election

Section 1. The officers of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be: president, 1st vice-president, 2nd vice-president, secretary and treasurer. They shall be elected by the society.

SECTION 2. There shall be such departments of work and program as shall be necessary to cooperate effectively with the State Conference, the National Mission Boards, the General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches and the National Fellowship of Congregational and Christian Women.

The departments shall be as follows: Devotional Life, Missionary Education, Publicity, Social Action, Benevolence, Friendly Service, and Christian Education.

The Chairman of each department shall be appointed by vote of the society.

SECTION 3. There shall be five (5) Members-at-Large, elected by the society.

SECTION 4. There shall be a Committee on Nominations consisting of three (3) members, appointed by vote of the society. The senior member shall be Chairman and shall serve on the Executive Board. All members of this committee shall be selected from the membership at large.

Section 5. The term of office shall be three (3) years. No officer, chairman of department, Member-at-Large or member of the Committee on Nominations shall be eligible for the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms.

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(b) The 1st Vice-President, Secretary, Chairman of Devotional Life, Chairman of Benevolence, two Members-at-Large and one member of the Committee on Nominations shall be elected or appointed the same year.

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Section 7. Election shall be by ballot, except when the number of candidates does not exceed the number to be elected, in which case the election may by unanimous consent be by Oral Vote at the Annual Meeting.

Section 8. The Executive Board shall have the power to fill any vacancy occurring on the Executive Board or on the Committee on Nominations in the interim of annual elections. The person appointed to fill such a vacancy the interim of annual elections. The person appointed to fill such a vacancy shall serve during the remainder of the unexpired term.

### ARTICLE V

#### Administration

The work and program of the Women's Fellowship shall be in charge of the Executive Board and the Executive Committee as provided for hereinafter.

#### ARTICLE VI

# Executive Board and Executive Committee

Section 1. The Executive Board of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall consist of the officers of the society, the Chairmen of Departments, the Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, five (5) Members-at-Large and the Presidents of the Associations, duly elected from their respective bodies. The wife of the Superintendent of the State Conference shall be an Honorary Member.

of the Associations, duly elected from their respective bodies. The wife of the Superintendent of the State Conference shall be an Honorary Member of the Executive Board.

Section 2 (a) The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the Executive Board and two (2) additional members appointed by the President from the Executive Board.

(b) It may hold meetings for emergency actions only in the interim of regular meetings of the Executive Board, and shall have all the powers of the Board, subject to ratification by the Executive Board.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### Meetings

Section 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the society during the same week of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference annual meeting.
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Section 2 (a) The Executive Board shall meet semi-annually, one meeting shall be held during the same week as the annual meeting of the society and the other meeting shall be held during the winter.

(b) Special Meetings of the Executive Board may be called upon the request of the president and two (2) other members of the Board or upon the request of any five (5) members of the Board.

SECTION 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Quorum

Section 1. Twenty-five (25) members shall constitute a quorum for the society.

Section 2. One-third (1/3) of the members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for the Executive Committee.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Committees

Section 1. There shall be such committees as the Executive Board shall deem necessary to promote the purpose of the society.

Section 2. Standing and Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, and as the Executive Board may authorize.

#### ARTICLE X

#### Endowment Funds

The Endowment Funds of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference shall be in the hands of the State Conference. The income from said funds shall be disbursed upon an order from the Treasurer of the Women's Fellowship. The President may authorize expenditures included in the budget adopted annually by the Executive Board.

# ARTICLE XI Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended at the annual meeting of the society, by a two-thirds (%) vote, provided a quorum is present and the amendment has been approved by the Executive Board. Notice of such amendment having been given in the call of the meeting. The reading of the proposed amendment to the Executive Board shall be made at a regular meeting. Action for recommendation to the society shall take place at the next regular meeting of the Executive Board.

# PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of this society.

# STANDING RULES OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL AND CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

#### RULE I

Duties of Executive Board Members

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the society, of the Executive Board and of the Executive Committee. She shall appoint all committees and designate the chairman thereof, unless otherwise directed. She shall be a member ex-officio of all committees and departments, except the Committee on Nominations. She shall be ex-officio a member of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference. She shall be a member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Council of Church Women. She shall be allowed four (4) cents a mile for traveling expenses in the discharge of her duties. She shall authorize budget expenditures.

Section 2. The 1st Vice-President shall in the absence of the president preside and perform all other duties required of the president. She shall assist the president and cooperate with the Association Presidents in the promotion of the departments. She shall be a representative on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Council of Church Women.

Section 3. The 2nd Vice-President shall in the absence of both the president and the 1st vice-president, preside and perform all other duties required of the president. She shall serve as Chairman of the Speaker's Bureau, which will be composed of persons within Associations who are qualified to speak on subjects that concern the Women's Fellowship.

Section 4. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of all meetings of the society, of the Executive Board and of the Executive Committee, reading them in their respective bodies. She shall send copies of the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Board and Executive Committee to all members of the Executive Board. She shall see that notices are sent for all business meetings, both regular and special. She shall notify officers, chairmen of departments, Members-at-Large and members of the Committee on Nominations of their elections or appointments and shall receive and file the written reports of the officers, departments and committees. She shall assist the president in the correspondence of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall receive monies and disburse the same upon the order of the president, the Executive Board having authorized budget expenditures. The Treasurer shall see that the books are closed January 10th of each year for the annual audit. She shall present to the Board at each regular meeting, a statement of receipts, expenditures and bills outstanding and at the annual meeting a certified financial statement.

Section 6. The Chairman of the Devotional Life Department shall acquaint herself with the books and materials recommended for prayer circles, group and family worship, and prepare such helps as will assist in the further development of the devotional life of the members and churches in the Women's Fellowship. She shall be responsible for making the resources and materials of the department available to the members and churches in the society. She shall report regularly to the Executive Board the work and progress of the department.

Section 7. The Chairman of the Christian Education Department shall provide literature and materials, regarding phases of Christian Family Life, recommending effective religious programs for women's organizations. She shall encourage the use of "The Curriculum Guide for the Church," which includes the "World Service Course," and urge members of the Women's Fellowship to offer their services in the interest of the Christian Education Program of the churches. She shall foster "study and interest groups" on all phases of the Church and Religion. She shall assist in creating interest and thereby attendance at the summer conferences, especially the Olivet Christian Education Adult Institute, calling upon the churches to send leaders for further training. She shall keep the Board informed of the growth of the department. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Board of Christian Education.

Section 8. The Chairman of the Missionary Education Department shall acquaint herself with the subjects and materials recommended by the Missionary Education Movement, the Missions Council, and the State Conference. She shall be responsible for making the resources and materials available to the members and churches in the Women's Fellowship. She shall assist the church groups development of Missionary Education and Missionary Programs. She shall report regularly to the Executive Board the work and progress of the department. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Committee on Missionary Education.

Section 9. The Chairman of the Publicity Department shall receive the articles covering the programs and activities of the church groups in the Women's Fellowship. She shall adapt these for the Women's Page of the Michigan Conference News and see that this material reaches the State Conference office by the dead line date. She shall also submit to the "Envelope Series," "Guide Posts" and the "Advance," items of special interest to all churches. She shall assist in promoting the circulation of the "Michigan Conference News," "Advance," "Missionary Herald," "Social Action," "Envelope Series," "Guide Posts" and the "Church Woman" throughout the member churches. She shall report annually to the Executive Board the approximate number of subscriptions to the above magazines from the Women's Fellowship. She shall also keep the Board in touch with the needs of the

Section 10. The Chairman of Social Action Department shall acquaint herself with the subjects and materials recommended by "The Council for Social Action." She shall seek to develop within the Women's Fellowship interest and support of the work of the Council. She shall assist in the promotion of the circulation of the Social Action magazine. She shall keep in touch with legislation and questions affecting vital social issues, which reporting the developments of the department to the Executive Board. She shall serve as a member of the Michigan Conference Committee on Social Relations.

Section 11. The Chairman of the Benevolence Department shall seek to promote among the churches of the state. Stewardship and Thank-Offering Programs recommended by the National Boards and the State Conference and prepare such helps as will assist the churches in the support of the Benevolence Goal. She shall report regularly to the Board the churches co-operating and the growth of the department.

Section 12. The Chairman of the Friendly Service Department shall receive from the National Board the quotas assigned to Michigan. She shall divide the quotas and reassign to the Women's Fellowship of the Associa-

tions, according to their ability to perform. She shall become familiar with the institutions served by the department through the medium of the "Information Service" and other literature from the Missions Council. She shall seek to cultivate throughout the Women's Fellowship a desire to promote programs that will keep the members informed about these institutions. She shall present an annual report to the Executive Board and shall keep the Board informed of the work and progress of the department.

Section 13. The members of the Executive Board who are elected as Members-at-Large shall cooperate with and promote the program of the departments in expanding the work of the Women's Fellowship. They shall be ready at all times to assist the President in all matters relating to the Women's Fellowship.

Section 14. The Committee on Nominations shall make their report to the annual meeting of the society, when further nominations shall be allowed from the floor. It shall also, as required during the interim between annual elections, recommend nominees for vacancies occurring on the Executive Board and Committee on Nominations in accordance with the By-Laws. The senior member shall be Chairman and shall serve on the Executive Board.

#### RULE II

#### Order of Business

Call to Order and response to the Roll Call.

Devotions.

- Reading and Approval of Minutes.
  Report of the Treasurer.
  Reading of Communications and Presentation of Bills.
  Reports of Officers.
  Reports of Chairmen of Departments.
  Reports of Presidents of Associations.
  Reports of Standing Committees
- Reports of Standing Committees. Reports of Special Committees.
- Unfinished Business.
- New Business. Program. 12.
- 13.
- Adjournment.

#### RULE III

#### Amendments

These Standing Rules may be amended at the annual meeting of the society, by a two-thirds (%) vote, provided a quorum is present and the amendment has been approved by the Executive Board.

### PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of this society.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL-CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Women's Fellowship of the Michigan Congregational and Christian Conference opened with a luncheon held in the First Congregational Church of Kalamazoo at 12:30 cm. May 23, 1946. The president Miss Frances Dynasta 200 at 12:30 on May 23, 1946. The president, Miss Frances Dunnette, presided.

Mrs. Harold N. Skidmore gave the invocation. The speakers' table at which were seated the guest of honor, Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, State Department chairmen, and Association presidents, was centered with a globe of the world with white ribbons running from Michigan to flags of all nations. The other tables were centered with interesting exhibits of those countries around which our Postwar Reconstruction Program centers, carrying out the idea of "In His Name and For Their Sake."

Mrs. Roy Plant, chairman, Mrs. Keith Elliot, and Mrs. Wm. A. Keith were the committee in charge of the program for the day, and Mrs. Harry D. Cos was luncheon chairman.

Following the presentation of those at the speakers' table, the meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Dunnette.

Business conducted:

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

Each person received mimeographed copies of the reports of the officers and department chairmen, these were accepted and placed on file.

The president announced that a new edition of the Michigan Manual for Leaders had been printed and a copy would be enclosed in the Program Packet, one of which will again be mailed to each church in the state.

Miss Dunnette told of representing the National Fellowship of Congregational Women at the national meeting of Women's Organizations of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States. Their theme was "Thy Will Be Done On Earth." Miss Dunnette said "she felt that this theme was one that all Christian women should feel to be a real chaltheme was one that all Christian women should feel to be a real challenge and as we go about the work in our own churches, remember that 'God has no other hands but ours' and that we must put forth our very best efforts to help to make the transition in a friendly way of erasing racial lines. . . . We must educate ourselves, we must KNOW and then ACT." She reminded women of the great power that is theirs and that we must use this power in the right way. She said, "We talk a great deal about what we want and what we think, but WHAT do we really DO?" Miss Dunnette reminded that programs should be educational, interesting and inspirational, and that they in turn would bring cational, interesting and inspirational, and that they in turn would bring real results in our church life.

The immediate need of a projector for the Gladstone Parish was presented with the statement that \$229 had come in from the Grand Rapids Association and \$25 from the church at Clinton. A generous response was made by those present but more is necessary if the project is to be met as the entire cost is around \$550.

A set of posters with clever figures setting off the printed words gave a graphic picture of the work of the "Seven Educational Departments." The cover shows the Seven Dwarfs with their Seven Keys of Service. Miss Dunnette will take them to the General Council meeting in Grinnell as an exhibit of the work of the Michigan Fellowship. This work was done by Mrs. Sydney Coleman, a member of Park Church, Grand Rapids, and it was voted to send her an expression of thanks for her available. and it was voted to send her an expression of thanks for her excellent contribution to the work of our Fellowship.

A slate of officers was presented by Mrs. L. M. Isaacs, chairman of the nominating committee. There were no nominations from the floor and as there was only one candidate for each office, there was a unanimous vote to elect the officers as presented:

Second Vice-President-Mrs. Roy Plant, Battle Creek, three years Missionary Education-Mrs. LeRoy Walcott, Grand Rapids, three years Social Action-Mrs. Frederic Chamberlain, Lakeside, three years Publicity-Mrs. Thomas W. Nadal, Olivet, three years Members-at-Large-Mrs. Edward Schaap, Dundee, three years
Mrs. Alfred Dumdei, St. Joseph, three years
Mrs. R. S. Evans, Detroit, three years

Nominating Committee-Mrs. Harold Hyde, Detroit, two years Following the election the group adjourned to the sanctuary. A very impressive devotional service was conducted with Mrs. H. C. McCampbell, Mrs. Keith Redner, and Mrs. Wm. A. Keith as leaders, Mrs. Lincoln Dupon as organist, and Mrs. Burr Vohees and Mrs. Myles Logan as coloists. soloists.

Mrs. Howard Stone Anderson, President of the National Women's Fellowship, spoke. She told of some of her experiences when she was in England with the Congregational Fellowship group. Mrs. Anderson closed the meeting with prayer.

MRS. CLARA PARKHURST, Secretary.

### OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP—1946-47

President—Miss Frances Dunnette, 619 Parkwood N.E., Grand Rapids (1948)

1st Vice-President—Mrs. Robert Lattin, 15231 Forrer, Detroit 27 (1947)
2nd Vice-President—Mrs. Roy A. Plant, 95 Guest St., Battle Creek (1949)
Treasurer—Mrs. Fay R. Stokes, 415 West Grand River, East Lansing (1948)
Secretary—Mrs. Wm. Parkhurst, 609 College Ave. S.E., Grand Rapids (1947)
Benevolence—Mrs. C. M. Novak, 1012 Sixth St., Traverse City (1947)
Devotional Life—Mrs. Harold N. Skidmore, 324 Chesterfield Parkway, East Lansing (1947)
Christian Education—Mrs. Donald Olson, 16615 Fenmore, Detroit 27 (1948)
Friendly Service—Mrs. C. L. Weaver, Clinton (1948)
Missionary Education—Mrs. LeRoy Walcott, 731 Franklin St. S. E., Grand Rapids 7 (1949)
Publicity—Mrs. Thomas W. Nadal, Olivet (1949)
Social Action—Mrs. Frederic Chamberlain, Lakeside (1949)

### Association Presidents

Central—Miss Estella Davis, Olivet
Cheboygan—Mrs. L. M. Isaacs, Gaylord
Detroit—Mrs. L. R. Martin, 628 Middlesex Bend, Grosse Pointe 30
Gladstone—Mrs. Fred Lang, Fayette
Grand Rapids—Mrs. Gillis Vandenberg, 1804 Lake Drive, Grand Rapids
Grand Traverse—Mrs. Asa Case, Box 245, Benzonia
Jackson—Mrs. Earl Blinn, 831 Munith Rd., Jackson
Kalamazoo—Mrs. Keith Elliot, 160 N. Union, Battle Creek.
Muskegon—Mrs. Henry Pyle, Lake Drive, N. Muskegon
Lake Superior—Mrs. Fred Bryant, Laurium
Sault Ste. Marie—Mrs. Mae Byers, Sault Ste. Marie, R. R. 2

### Members-at-Large

Mrs. Earl Collins, Grand Rapids (1947) Mrs. Ray Caldwell, St. Johns (1947) Mrs. Edward Schaap, Dundee (1949) Mrs. Alfred Dumdei, St. Joseph (1949) Mrs. R. S. Evans, Detroit (1948)

### Committee on Nominations

Mrs. Earl Blinn, Jackson (1947)

Mrs. L. E. VanAntwerp, Benton Harbor (1948)

Mrs. Harold Hyde, Detroit (1949)

### LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

### Central-Organized October 14, 1845

Registrar—Rev. Ward K. Klopp, Durand.
Churches—AuGres, Bancroft, Bay City, Breckenridge, Bridgeport,
Carmel, Carson City, Charlotte, Clare, Durand, East Lansing, Eaton
Rapids, Eureka, Flint, Freeland, Grand Blanc, Grand Ledge, Harrison,
Highland, Laingsburg, Lansing Mayflower, Lansing Pilgrim, Lansing
Plymouth, Maple Rapids, Merrill, Olivet, Onondaga, Ovid, Owosso,
Perry, Portland, Saginaw, St. Johns, Vermontville, Vernon, Victor.
Ministers—Robert M. Barksdale, Robert M. Bartlett, Arie Binkhorst,
Victor F. Brown, Motier C. Bullock, Ray T. Caldwell, R. Russel Denison,
L. Edward Dull, Gordon L. Giddings, Charles B. Hastie, Elmer E. Hoats,
Wm. J. Hunter, Ward K. Klopp, A. H. Lash, Otto J. Lyon, Carl Martenson, Robert McCleary, Russell McConnell, Thomas W. Nadal,
Malcolm G. Powley, Albert C. Schue, Harold T. Scott, Frederick P.
Sprague, James M. Turner, Dale E. Turner, Harold Watson, Samuel B.
Wenger. Registrar-Rev. Ward K. Klopp, Durand. Wenger. Licentiate—Benjamin L Davies.

Registrar—Rev. James B. Ellison, Wolverine.
Churches—Alpena, Atlanta, Big Rock, Central Lake, Charlevoix,
Cheboygan, Gaylord, Ironton, Kalkaska, Evergreen, Lewiston, Long
Rapids, Luzerne, Roscommon, Vanderbilt, Wolverine.
Ministers—Clark G. Adams, James B. Ellison, Donald Evans, Daniel
W. Boxwell, L. M. Isaacs, Albert W. Kauffman, A. J. Parker, Oliver S.
Page, Clayton H. Stowe, Arthur A. Wall.

Cheboygan—Organized February 13, 1878

### Detroit-Organized May 4, 1887

Registrar-Rev. Alexander M. Meikle, First Congregational Church,

Detroit.

Churches—Detroit Armenian, Detroit Bethel, Detroit Boulevard, Detroit Brewster-Pilgrim, Detroit Bushnell, Detroit First, Detroit Grosse Pointe, Detroit Highland Park, Detroit Mayflower, Detroit Mt. Hope, Detroit North Woodward, Detroit Plymouth, Dearborn First, Dearborn Greenfield, Flat Rock, Gibraltar, Maybee, Metamora, Oxford, Pontiac, Rochester, Rockwood, Royal Oak, Wayne, Wyandotte.

Ministers—Glen R. Asplin, Erwin Britton, Myron R. Bunnell, Robert E. Burtt, James S. Caskey, Ralph P. Claggett, Robert J. Burgess, Walton E. Cole, George E. Drew, Ralph H. Ferris, Howard S. Fox, Charles F. Goudey, George E. Gullen, James C. Hagaman, F. Ervin Hyde, Norman H. Jackson, Walter M. Jackson, Henry A. Jessup, Henry B. Johnson, Carl R. Key, Joseph Q. Mayne, Alexander Meikle, Charles H. Myers, Frederick Peggs, John H. Prentis, John D. Rose, Charles W. Scheid, George W. Shepherd, Nathaniel Skidmore, Roger Eddy Treat.

### Eastern-Organized February 12, 1840

Registrar—Rev. Clyde Wilcox, St. Clair.
Churches—Almont, Armada, Columbus, Imlay City, Memphis, New Baltimore, New Haven, Port Huron First, Port Huron Ross Memorial, Port Huron Sturges Memorial, Richmond, Romeo, St. Clair.
Ministers—Carl H. Anderson, P. Arthur Arnold, John H. Balfour, Oscar P. Boliman, Clarence M. Burkholder, John W. Rahill, Thomas S. Vernon, Brooks A. Warren, Wm. Thomas Watson, Clyde Wilcox, Clarence Young

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### Gladstone—Organized August 29, 1888

Registrar—Mrs. Edith Heafield, Garden. Churches—Cooks, Fayette, Garden, Isabella, Rapid River. Ministers—Gerald A. Smith, Serge F. Hummon.

### Grand Rapids-Organized January 8, 1856

Registrar—Rev. Walter M. Swann, Grant.
Churches—Ada, Alpine Trinity, Belding, Bostwick Lake, Bradley, Butternut, Clarksville, Coral, Crystal, Douglas, East Nelson, Grand Rapids Burlingame, Grand Rapids Comstock Park, Grand Rapids East, Grand Rapids Park, Grand Rapids Plymouth, Grand Rapids Second, Grand Rapids Smith, Grand Rapids South, Grand Rapids Wallin, Grand-ville-Jenison, Grant, Greenville, Hopkins Second, Hudsonville, Lake Odessa, Lowell, Moline, Nevins Lake, Rockford, Saranac, Saugatuck, Sidney, Stanton, Wayland.

Ministers—Glen Aldrich, Arthur Anderson, Estle C. Barnes, Gary Bousman, John A. Cole, Earl F. Collins, Albert Dawe, Edith Dorrell, Hubert S. Ellis, E. Richard Evans, H. Butler Fairman, John A. Hanning, Charles M. Houser, George E. Hughes, Edward Humphrey, Harold T. Janes, Frank T. Jensen, Theodore Jorgensen, Horace E. Maycroft, Herbert McConnell, Charles W. Merriam, Anthony A. Nelson, St. Clare Parsons, Frederick Pinch, Harry Pollard, June K. Pollard, Albert E. Potts, Harold N. Skidmore, Walter M. Swann, Arthur W. Swann, Boyd R. Swem, E. Archibald Thompson, Egbert Winter, Norman G. Woon.

### Grand Traverse—Organized January 1, 1863

Registrar—Rev. G. Russell Parker, Northport. Churches—Benzonia, Buckley, Cadillac, Eden, Frankfort, Homestead, Honor, Kalkaska, Lake City, Manistee, Northport, Old Mission, Onekama, Suttons Bay, Thompsonville, Traverse City First, Traverse City Oak Park.

Ministers—Thomas Ainslie, Thomas E. Bennett, Alfred Bentall, Raymond L. Boadway, Philip D. Dutton, Albert B. Eby, Griffith Evans, Philip Gregory, John T. Henry, George Lomas, G. Russell Parker, W. Howard Thomlinson, Lewis N. Tillson, Howard R. Towne. Licentiate—Karl W. Wildt.

### Jackson-Organized May 17, 1842

Registrar—Rev. W. H. Skentelbury, Chelsea. Churches—Addison, Ann Arbor, Bethel, Britton, Chelsea, Clinton, Dexter, Dundee, East Gilead, Grass Lake, Hudson, Jackson First,

Jackson Plymouth, Kinderhook, Leslie, Litchfield, Morenci, Pinckney, Pittsford, Prattville, Ransom, Salem First, Salem Second, Sandstone, Somerset, Tipton, Webster, West Adrian, Wheatland, Ypsilanti.

Ministers—Alfred L. Allard, Ray W. Barber, Donald D. Brady, E. A. Carnes, Harvey C. Colburn, Hubert N. Dukes, George A. Emerich, Wm. D. Farrer, Arthur E. Gay, John S. Gillespie, Kenneth Griswold, Edmund E. Gunther, Wm. O. Hainsworth, Gerald Hallauer, Ray M. Hardy, Harry Kellogg, Thomas Leggette, John D. McLouth, James C. Mead, Leonard A. Parr, Anne L. Pearse, Wm. J. Prestidge, Ozro E. Priest, Marshall Rector, Wm. H. Skentelbury, Gordon C. Speer, Lucia M. Stroh, Thomas Toy, Charles F. Wolf.

Licentiate—Virgil D. Allard.

### Kalamazoo-Organized June 1, 1849

Registrar-Rev. Lawrence E. Tenhopen, South Haven. Churches—Alamo, Allegan, Athens, Bangor, Baroda, Battle Creek, Bedford, Benton Harbor, Bridgman, Bronson, Coloma, Constantine, Cooper, Covert, Dowagiac, Eau Claire, Fredonia, Galesburg, Grand Junction, Kalamazoo, Lawrence, Leonidas, Leroy, Mattawan, Otsego, Pullman, St. Joseph, Sawyer, South Haven, Texas, Three Oaks, Union City, Watervliet.

City, Watervliet.

Ministers—J. M. Artman, Howard A. Blanning, Donald C. Bourne, Lyman V. Cady, James R. Cullen, Don L. De Coursey, Oviatt E. Desmond, C. Elliott Gardner, Wm. E. Goltz, Roger W. Gough, Percy L. Graham, Clifford W. Hilliker, George C. Horst, Mark G. Inghram, Lawrence O. Johnson, Emil Kaitschuck, Wm. A. Keith, Robert C. Kemper, Robert J. Locke, Alpheus M. Lusk, Emil Kaitschuck, H. A. Miles, Carleton B. Miller, George Raymond Myers, John D. Perrin, Warren S. Shelley, Lawrence E. Tenhopen, Frederick Williams, Wm. P. Woodward, C. Floyd Wright.

Licentiate—Seth Clay.

### Lake Superior-Organized August 12, 1879

Registrar—Mr. Warren M. Bell, Hancock. Churches—Calumet, Chassel, Hancock, Hubbell, Lake Linden. Ministers—M. R. Fenner, Wayne L. Waters.

### Muskegon-Organized January 13, 1864

Registrar—Rev. John Gehring, Hart.
Churches—Baldwin, Big Prairie, Big Rapids First, Custer, Fremont,
Fruitport, Hart, Hersey, Lakeview, Ludington, Muskegon First, Muskegon Jackson Street, Muskegon McGraft, Newaygo, Reed City, Shelby,
Six Lakes, Whitehall.
Ministers—Corel E. Badder, Bard H. Challette, W. Six Lakes, Whitehall.

Ministers—Coral F. Badder, Paul H. Clark, John W. Erskine, John Gehring, A. R. Gold, Lawrence Horning, Horace B. Loomis, Arthur E. Jervis, Ernest J. Millington, Halley B. Oliver, Samuel N. Oliver, Clarence D. Oberlin, Duncan M. Olmstead, Charles L. Pendleton, John C.

### Sault Ste. Marie-Organized March 17, 1880

Registrar—Mrs. Russell Osborne, Sault Ste. Marie, R. D. No. 2. Churches—Allenville, Brimley, Drummond, Mackinac Island, Pine Grove, Rosedale.

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Aldrich, Glen E. Evart. 1941 Allard, Alfred L. Pinckney 1925	G. R. T.
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	$\mathbf{E}$ .
Armold, P. Arthur Richmond, Box 70	E. K.
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Bartlett, Robert MLansing, 213 W. Allegan	Central
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	G. T.
Bollman, Oscar Phillip., Romeo	E.
	K.
	G. R. I.
	C.
Britton, ErwinWayne, 35122 Main St1941	Ď.
Brown, Victor F Eaton Rapids	Central
	D.
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	C.
Bunnell, Myron RDearborn, 7 Duxbury Lane1932	D.
Cady, Lyman VHanover College, Hanover, Ind1916	K.
Caldwell, Ray TSt. Johns	Central
	J. D.
Claggett, Raigh P Pontiac, 73 Miami Road 1926	D.
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Cole, John A	a -
Cole, Walton E Detroit, 33 E. Forest	D.
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De Coursey, Don L Denison, Russell Desmond, Oviatt E. Dorrell, Edith Drew, George E. Dukes, Hubert N. Dull. L. Edward.	Douglas Dowagiac Owosso, 414 W. Oliver Battle Creek, First Cong'l Church Grand Rapids, 403 Leonard N. W. Detroit 4, 4308 Pasadena Ave Grand Forks, North Dakota Maple Rapids. Benzonia	. 1940 . 1928 . 1929 . 1935 . 1932 . 1922	G. R. K. Central K. G. R. D. J. Central G. T.
Ellis, Hubert S. Ellison, James B. Emerich, George Erskine, John W. Evans, E. Richard Evans, Donald R.	Benzonia. Belding. Wolverine. Hillsdale, 10 North St. Evart. Grand Rapids, 1216 Seneca S. W. East Lansing, 415 W. Grand River. Grand Junction, R. D.	. 1912 . 1936 . 1907 . 1900 . 1916	G. T. G. R. C. J. M. G. R. C. G. T.
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Gay, Arthur E. Gehring, John. Giddings, Gordon L. Gillespie, John S. Gold, A. Reginald. Goltz, Wm. E. Goudey, Charles F. Gough, Roger W. Graham, Percy L. Gregory, Philip H. Griswold, Kenneth. Gullen. George E.	Bangor Leslie Hart Grand Ledge Charleston, W. Va., 229½ Capital Lakeview Hartford, 434 Linden St Detroit 6, 7625 Linwood Ave Allegan Otsego Kalkaska Dundee Detroit 26, 914 Lafayette Bldg Ann Arbor, 1115 Lincoln	1914 1938 1940 1896 1926 1919 1934 1932 1923 1929 1937	K. J. M. Central J. M. K. D. K. G. T. J.
Hageman, James C.  Hainsworth, Wm. O.  Hallauer, Gerald G.  Hanning, John A.  Hardy, Ray M.  Hastie, Charles B.  Henry, John T.  Hilliker, Clifford W.  Hoats, Elmer E.  Horning, Lawrence.  Horst, George C.  Houser, Charles M.  Hughes, George E.  Hummon, Serge F.  Humphrey, Edward H.  Hunter, Wm. J.	Detroit 21, 15377 Holmur Ave.  Dexter. Britton. Los Angeles, California. Lincoln Park 25, 1034 Ford Blvd. Saginaw, First Cong'l Church. Kalamazoo, 819 Davis St. Watervliet. Lansing, 1000 Eureka St. Newaygo. Racine, Wisconsin, c/o J. I. Case Co. Grand Rapids, 946 Giddings S. E. Brooklyn, N. Y., 156 St. Johns Place. Rapid River. Saranac. Onondaga	1897 1924 1946 1907 1912 1937 1921 1929 1931 1914 1925 1927 1908 1945 1916	J. J. J. G. R. J. Central G. T. K. Central M. K. G. R. G. R. G. R. G. R. Central
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Inghram, Mark G Isaacs, L. Myrven	.Union City	.1910 .1913	К. С.
Jackson, H. Norman Janes, Harold T Jensen, Frank T Jervis, Arthur E Jessup, Henry Johnson, Henry B Johnson, Lawrence O.	Detroit 10, 8641 Grandmont Ave. Wyandotte, 2637 First St. Omaha, Nebraska Grand Rapids, 106 Colfax N. E. Whitehall Boston, Mass., 222 W. Pioneer Ave. Oxford, 28 Denison St. Coloma Marne	.1924 .1929 .1932 .1918 .1921 .1915	G. R. G. R. M. D. D. K.
Kauffman, Albert W Keith, Wm. A Kellogg, Harry Kemper, Robert C Key, Carl R	Constantine .Alpena .Kalamazoo, 2324 Crane Ave .Clinton .St. Joseph .Detroit 23, 15050 Southfield Road .Durand	. 1920 . 1926 . 1909 . 1929 . 1935	K. C. K. J. K. D. Central
Leggett, Thomas E Locke, Robert J Lomas, George Loomis, Horace B Lusk, Alpheus M	Ann Arbor, 1414 Washington Ann Arbor, 1420 Brooklyn Ave Kalamazoo, 422 Stuart Ave Frankfort Fremont Seattle, Washington Novi	.1897 .1903 .1942 .1943	Central J. K. G. T. M. K. Central
McConnell, Herbert McConnell, Russell H McLouth, John D Martenson, Carl Maycroft, Horace E Mayne, Joseph Q Mead, James C Meikle, Alexander M Merriam, Charles W Miles, Herbert A Miller, Carleton B Millington, E. J Myers. Charles Haven	Lansing, 1315 W. Hillsdale. Grand Rapids, R. D. 2. Charlotte. Addison. Saginaw, First Cong'l Church. Saugatuck. Detroit 26, 907 Washington Blvd. Bldg. Jackson, 115 Third St. Detroit 1, 33 E. Forest. Claremont, Cal., 531 Harrison Ave. Galesburg. Battle Creek, First Cong'l Church. Reed City. Detroit 2, 8715 Woodward Ave. Chaplain, U. S. A.	.1898 .1934 .1926 .1932 .1922 .1931 .1933 .1911 .1904 .1904 .1908	Central G. R. Central J. Central G. R. D. J. D. G. R. K. K. M. D. K.
Nadal, Thomas W Nelson, Anthony A	Olivet Rockford	1941 1932	Central G. R.
Oliver, Halley B Oliver, Samuel N	Muskegon, 1288 Montgomery Ave Belding Muskegon, 475 W. Webster Baldwin	1946	M. M. M. M.
Page, Oliver S	Roscommon	1945 1919	C. C.

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Thomlinson, W. Howard Thompson, Edward A. Tillson, Lewis N. Towne, Howard R. Toy, Thomas Treat, Roger Eddy Turner, James M. Turner, Dale E.	South Haven. Manistee, River St. Grand Rapids, Park Cong'l Church. Cadillac. Traverse City. Hudson. Detroit 23, 15050 Southfield Road. Deckerville. Grand Rapids Park Charlevoix	.1904 .1914 .1929 .1927  .1916 .1911	G. T. G. R. G. T.
Vernon, Thomas S	.Armada	. 1936	E.
Warren, Brooks A Waters, Wayne L	Central Lake	. 1903 . 1908	C. E. L. S. E.

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Woon, Norman G	Lowell	1017	G R
	Blissfield	1015	

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CHURCHES: 238. Served by pastors: 190 (installed 5; recognized 17; other Cong. and Chr. 138; other domn. 22; inchitates 6; uncleasified 2). Part time supplies: 7. Inactive churches: 18. Vacant churches: 23. No. pastors serving: 160.

MINISTERS IN FULL STANDING: 204 (pastors 132; others 72).

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